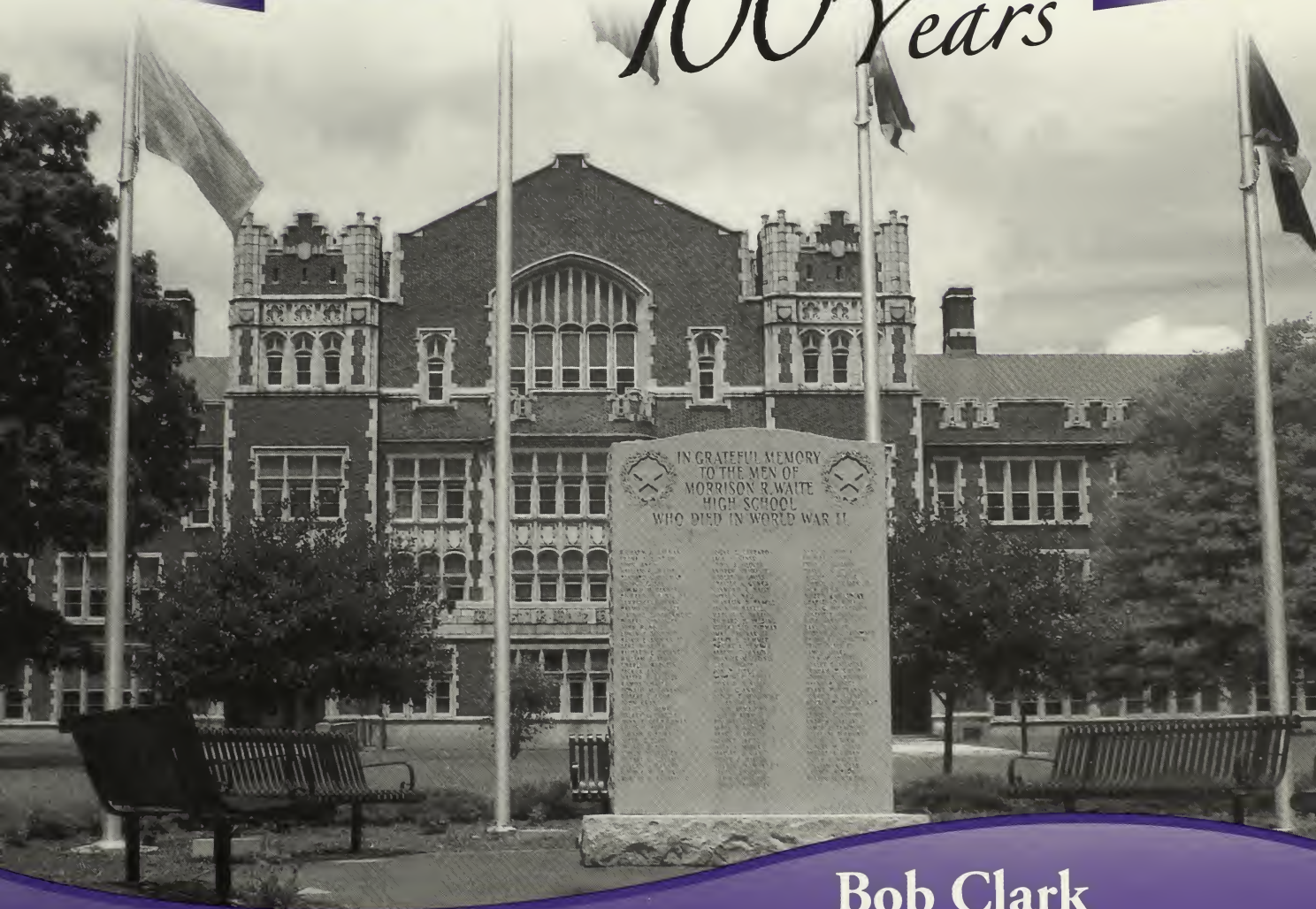


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# WAITE HIGH SCHOOL 1961

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# MORRISON R. WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

## *A Celebration of 100 Years*

### INTRODUCTION

For a century, Morrison R. Waite High School has been the heart and soul of the East Toledo community. Named for the northwest Ohio native who became Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from 1874-1888, Waite's traditions and graduates have been a source of East Side pride ever since the Collegiate Gothic school opened its doors to students on September 14th, 1914. A landmark building of national significance, Waite has a long and proud history to be celebrated as it reaches its 100th anniversary.

Waite sits on a thirty-acre campus, which includes the bowl and the football stadium with its practice fields. The nickname Waite Indians derives from the belief that an Ottawa Indian village once occupied the site near the ravine, the old Duck Creek swale that runs all the way to Maumee Bay. Like Scott, the school is of modified English Collegiate Gothic architecture, designed by nationally known Toledo architect David Stine, who also designed the Wyoming State Capitol, our own courthouse, and many other outstanding buildings.

Many East Siders have heard the story that the school was built backwards. In what has become part of East Toledo folklore, it is said that Waite was designed to face the river, and when the architect found out it was built backwards to face the bowl, he was so distraught that he killed himself, either by jumping from the fourth floor or hanging himself in a stairwell. The story is of course false. The architect, Mr. Stine, who continued his long and distinguished career until his death in 1941, did not commit suicide, and the school was built the way it was meant to be built—facing the East Side.

Over the years the campus has seen many changes. In 1934, after years of playing football games in the bowl, the new stadium was completed, one of only three enclosed high school football stadiums in the state of Ohio. A state-of-the-art basketball field house was dedicated in 1954, and the large skill center was added to the west side of the building in 1976. Now a \$20 million renovation of the school has recently been completed, moving the offices to a first floor east entrance, adding new heating and cooling, rewiring the building for modern technology, making the school fully accessible along with a new elevator, and repairing or updating the windows, walls, roof, and stonework. Yet the historic character of the building remains intact with its woodwork, murals, and even gargoyles well preserved.

When the school first opened, Waite served students all over the city from Point Place to as far away as Trilby. At a time when not many students went to college, the high school curriculum had to offer a wide variety of courses. That curriculum has continued to change over the years, and now has to meet an ever greater diversity of needs from special education classes to early college courses. Student extra-curricular activities have also been an important part of Waite's long history, including literary societies, language clubs, musical groups, band and orchestra, and many other organizations to meet and enhance particular student interests. In addition, an annual Memorial Day service honors students who have fought and died for our country.

Waite has also had an outstanding history of student athletics. Varsity football teams have won sixteen city championships, and basketball and baseball teams have won many others over the years. At different times, there have been excellent cross country, tennis, and wrestling teams, along with many outstanding individual athletes (both boys and girls) in every sport. An Athletic Hall of Fame recognizes many of these exceptional student athletes Waite has produced in its long history.

In 1965, Waite alumni launched the first annual Purple and Gold Ball, held to raise money for the Scholarship Fund. More college scholarship money has become available to a variety of students over the years through the continued generosity of alumni. Beginning in 1982, Distinguished Alumni have been recognized, equivalent to a Waite Hall of Fame, at an annual scholarship dinner. Also, an archive of Waite memorabilia and historical artifacts has been collected and displayed in a room off the fourth-floor library for students and alumni interested in the long and rich history of the school. In 2013, an extensive renovation of the school was completed, which has brought many modern improvements while still preserving the historic character of the building for its next century of educating the students of East Toledo.

Waite has always reflected the close-knit, ethnic community it has long served. One indication of its close ties with the East Side is the number of former students who have chosen to teach at Waite. Over fifty Waite graduates have become faculty members, many staying to teach for twenty, thirty, or even forty years. A Waite alumnus, David Yenrick, is the second longest serving principal in the history of the school. Mr. Yenrick has summarized the value of the school to the community as follows: "Waite continues to be an oasis of stability for a very diverse population of East Toledo youth." This stability, along with the dedication of faculty and staff, has helped make Waite such a strong influence on the community over the years.



This pictorial history is meant to be a celebration of Waite High School as it approaches its 100th anniversary. The photographs were chosen to highlight the school's outstanding building, faculty and administration, students and student activities, athletics, and alumni, yet can only provide a glimpse of a century's proud heritage. Though there have been many changes during its first 100 years, Waite has always been and continues to be the cornerstone of the East Side community.

## MORRISON R. WAITE

*Seventh Chief Justice of the United States*  
1874-1888



**Morrison Remick "Mott" Waite** was an attorney and politician in Ohio. He served as the seventh Chief Justice of the United States from 1874 until his death in 1888.

### INTERESTING FACTS:

- In Office March 4, 1874 - March 23, 1888
- Nominated by Ulysses S. Grant
- Born November 29, 1816 in Lyme, Connecticut
- Died March 23, 1888 (age 71) in Washington, D.C.
- Wife: Amelia Warner
- Children: Hendron, Christopher, Edward & Mary
- Alma Mater: Yale University

*M. R. Waite*



# WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

## *The Finest Building of Its Kind in America*

### INTRODUCTION

This was the description the Columbus Evening Dispatch gave to Scott High School when it opened in 1913, and it of course applies to Waite as well. Members of the Toledo School Board, led by Irving Macomber and Pauline Steinem, did a national survey of school buildings, looking for the most beautiful designs and best learning facilities of the time.

They chose prominent local architect David Stine to design two imposing schools that would reflect the Collegiate Gothic style of university buildings at Oxford and Cambridge. Waite benefited from the experience of building Scott, as several minor improvements, such as better flooring material and room arrangement, could be incorporated.

It was amazing that a school of such quality was built on the East Side of the river in the first place. A bond issue was passed in 1908 (by a vote of 20,305 to 8,347) to replace Toledo's first and only high school, the outdated old Central High on Michigan Avenue where the Main Library now stands, with two new high schools to serve the city.

### EARLY POSTCARD VIEW OF WAITE



Robert Genzman, who taught history at Waite for many years, wrote: “The construction of the building was begun by the Spieker Company in 1910, but because of labor troubles and the scarcity of materials, the school was not opened for classes until the fall of 1914. The entire cost was \$900,000.” That is less than 1/23rd the cost of the recent renovations.

The fireproof building would have a frontage of 380 feet, which is more than a football field, and wings at each end 210 feet long. According to a Toledo Times article of January 19, 1913, there would be “an auditorium seating 200 people, twenty recitation rooms, six laboratories, and manual training rooms and shops.” In the end, the school would have much more, including an 800-seat auditorium. Quite a bargain for less than a million dollars.

The beautiful building and campus would see many additions and improvements during its first 100 years. Beginning in 1917, football games were played in the bowl in front of the school. Large metal stands were erected, and crowds often numbered in the thousands, especially for the annual Thanksgiving Day game with Scott, which would decide the City Championship.

Then in 1934, an impressive new football stadium was built in the ravine across East Broadway and named for the successful coach Jack Mollenkopf. The old bleacher seats from the bowl were moved to become visitor seating in the new stadium. A recent \$300,000 renovation, financed by alumni contributions, has made the Home of the Indians one of the best high school stadiums in the state.

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and improvements during its first 100 years.”

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As Waite approached its 40th anniversary, it was apparent that a new field house was needed. Grant Murray Field House, a state of the art facility named for the long time East Side school board member, opened in 1954, and the old gymnasium in the school would be used only for Physical Education classes.

The large “Skill Center,” nearly two-thirds the size of the original school, was added on the Front Street side of the school in 1976. It had facilities for vocational classes, offices, and a modern student cafeteria, which allowed the fourth floor to become the beautiful school library. The vaulted ceiling of the library has been restored and brightened during the recent renovations, an amazing study space for a high school to have, and an alumni room has been added with an archive of Waite’s long history.

The Memorial Marker in front of the school dates from 1950, commemorating Waite students who gave their lives while serving their country in warfare beginning with World War II. Waite is the only high school that holds a Memorial Service every year in honor of America’s veterans. Recently, the marker was moved closer to the school and a Memorial Garden was established. Also, this past year, the city-owned Optimist Park between the school and Front Street was secured by the Board of Education to become part of the Waite campus.

Waite High School, a building of national quality design with exceptional athletic facilities in a beautiful setting of many acres, remains the outstanding architectural landmark on the East Side.





**THE SETTING. WAITE HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS, ABOUT 1930.**

The Waite campus is seen here in an early aerial view with the original football stadium still located in the bowl at the lower left. The river came up all the way to Front Street with only the Pennsylvania Railroad tracks and bridge built out into the water. The old row house and a few other houses along East Broadway, all still standing, appear at the lower right. No houses have yet been built at the corner of Morrison and Fourth Street where only some student footpaths are seen in this picture. Above that open space at the left edge of the picture is the newly-built police station on the southeast corner of Second and Oswald, which later became the Boys & Girls Club. The recent acquisition of city-owned Optimist Park by the Board of Education now extends the campus west to Front Street. Notice how the size of the school dominates the whole neighborhood.

**THE SCHOOL AND ITS STADIUM. VIEW SOUTHWEST TOWARD DOWNTOWN, ABOUT 1950.**

Not many high schools have facilities like these. Waite Stadium, seen in the foreground with its practice field, dates from 1934. The old Garfield Elementary School, which opened the year after Waite in 1915, was replaced a few years ago by a new school building. The Sports Arena (1947-2007) appears above Waite in the area along the river that still awaits the Marina District development. Soon after this photograph was taken, Grant Murray Field House would be built in the open space to the right of the school.



**OLD NEIGHBORHOOD BEFORE WAITE WAS BUILT. VIEW SOUTHWEST FROM MORRISON & SECOND, ABOUT 1911.**

It took about four years to build Waite because of various delays and the sheer size of the task. This rare aerial view, only seven or eight years after the Wright brothers' first flight, was probably taken not from a plane, but from the large crane used in the construction of the school. Notice the water pipes ready to be laid along Morrison Drive. Toledo didn't have much of a skyline.



The Toledo Trust tower on Summit Street, the city's first skyscraper (still standing), was built in 1912, not long after this photograph was taken. Also seen here is the old iron Cherry Street Bridge, soon to be floated downriver to become part of the Ash-Consaul Bridge. The current bridge, now named in honor of Martin Luther King, was finished the same year that Waite opened. A few of the houses seen in the old neighborhood still remain, including the early corner house in the foreground.



**AN UNDERGROUND LABYRINTH. EXCAVATIONS, LOOKING SOUTHEAST TOWARD THE BOWL, OCTOBER 2, 1911.**

This early construction photo shows some of the equipment used in preparing the foundations for the school. The basement has been excavated by steam and horse-power, and a close look reveals a team of horses beyond the wooden ramp. Notice the tall construction crane made of wood at the right. Sacred Heart Church, just completed a few years earlier, stands at the center of the picture next to its 1889 school. Most of the houses along Oswald Street to the right of the church are still standing today.





**LOOKING NORTHEAST ACROSS EAST BROADWAY, OCTOBER 2, 1911.**

Taken the same day as the previous picture, this sharp photograph gives a close-up view of the excavations. The size and depth of the foundations can be seen by how small the horses and men appear at the bottom. The fine houses on East Broadway behind the wooden crane are all still in existence.



**TAKING SHAPE.  
JANUARY 3, 1912.**

Just this first floor section shows how massive the building would become. The wood forms for the cast-concrete core are in place. Notice again the tall wooden cranes with the long suspended catwalks between them.



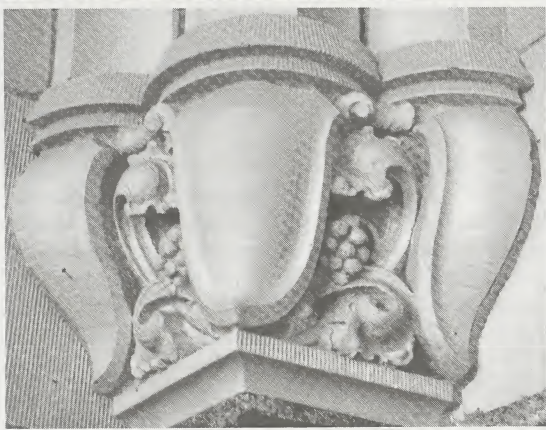


**IT'S STARTING TO LOOK A LOT LIKE WAITE HIGH SCHOOL. NORTHWEST FROM MORRISON, AUGUST 17, 1912.** First floor brick and stonework are now mostly in place, as seen in this view of the auditorium entrance in the foreground. Notice all the masonry workers on the scaffolding above the door. Also by this time, the roofline, including the central fourth-floor section, has been completely framed in. The structure in the distance at the left appears to be the old Rolling Mill on Front Street that pre-dated the Edison Acme Plant.



**EXTERIOR ALMOST DONE. WAITE HIGH SCHOOL, SOUTHWEST FROM EAST BROADWAY, JANUARY 28, 1913.** This photo, taken only about fifteen months after the first excavation pictures, shows the nearly completed exterior shell of the school. The extensive finishing that would make the interior so distinctive (not to mention picking up all the wooden forms on the ground) would take another year and eight months before the school opened on September 14, 1914. Note the flagpole, or perhaps lightning rod, attached to the peak of the building.





This detailed pediment shows the extensive tuck-pointing and restoration of the terra cotta.

#### **WHY 1910? TERRA COTTA DETAILING, EAST FAÇADE.**

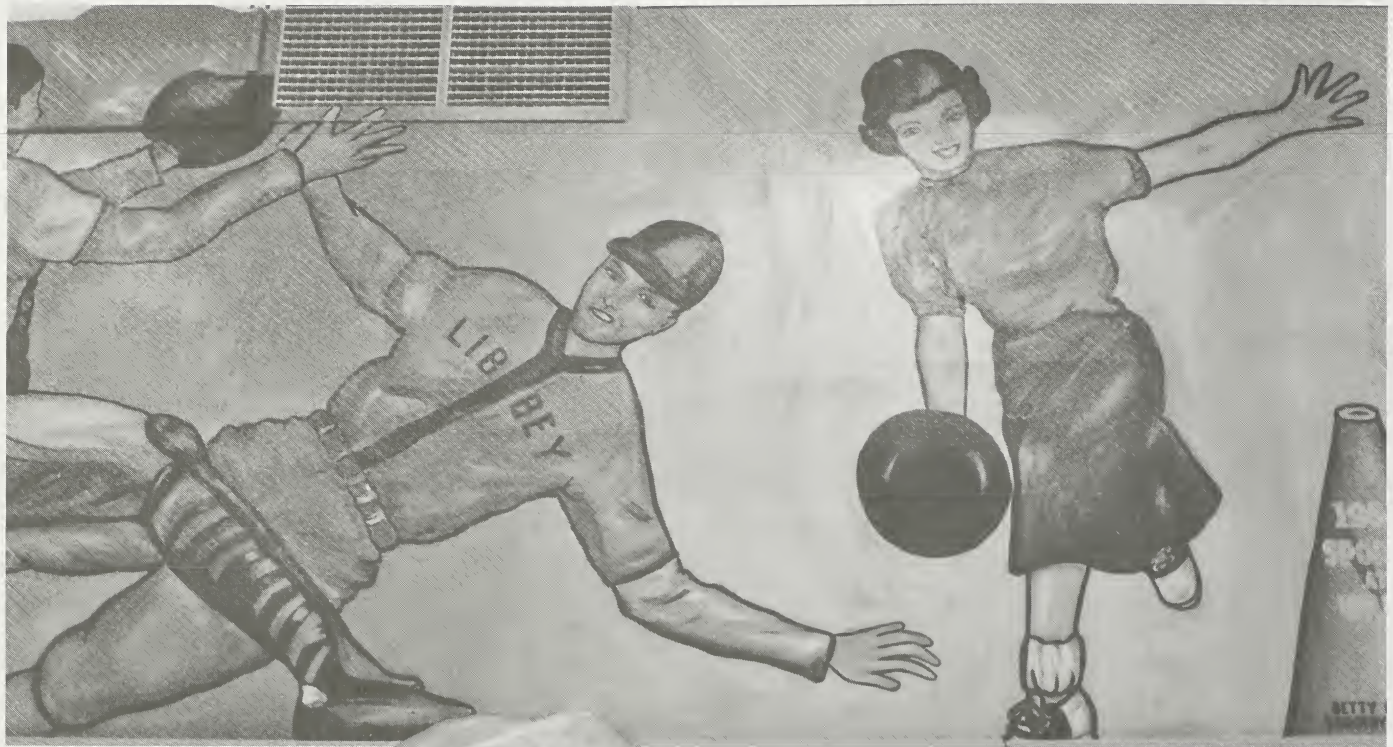
This decorative terra cotta work, a rather fragile pottery-type product that is made to resemble stone, bears the 1910 date of the original drawings. This architectural feature can be observed on the right front porch of the building, which the recent renovations have now made the school's main entrance. The twin east "porches" were a popular gathering place for students in the early years and were considered to be Waite's "front door." The school was designed in 1910, but because of labor shortages and a scarcity of materials, the building was finished two years after it was projected to open in the fall of 1912.



#### **LOOKS NEWER THAN 1910. EAST FAÇADE, 2013.**

An important part of Waite's just-completed \$21 million renovation was to restore and preserve the historic features of its beautiful building. Much labor went into the interesting terra cotta work, such as this original dated scroll design, and also the scary bird of prey above it scrunched into the corner, both of which have been carefully restored. Take a look next time coming into the building through the new east entrance.





**YER OUT! RESTORED SPORTS MURAL, APRIL 2013.**

An important part of the renovation was to preserve Waite's historic murals, from Shakespeare to sports figures, which were painted by students over the years. This 1951 mural shows a Libbey baseball player who has dodged a bowling ball only to be thrown out at the plate. Sadly, the depiction is prophetic of the old rival, whose beautiful school was recently torn down. Waite narrowly avoided a similar fate through strong alumni and community support that led to passing a special bond issue in 2008 that provided for the renovation of the school.



**NO SLEEPING IN THE LIBRARY.  
SCULPTURE OF BEATRICE, 2013.**

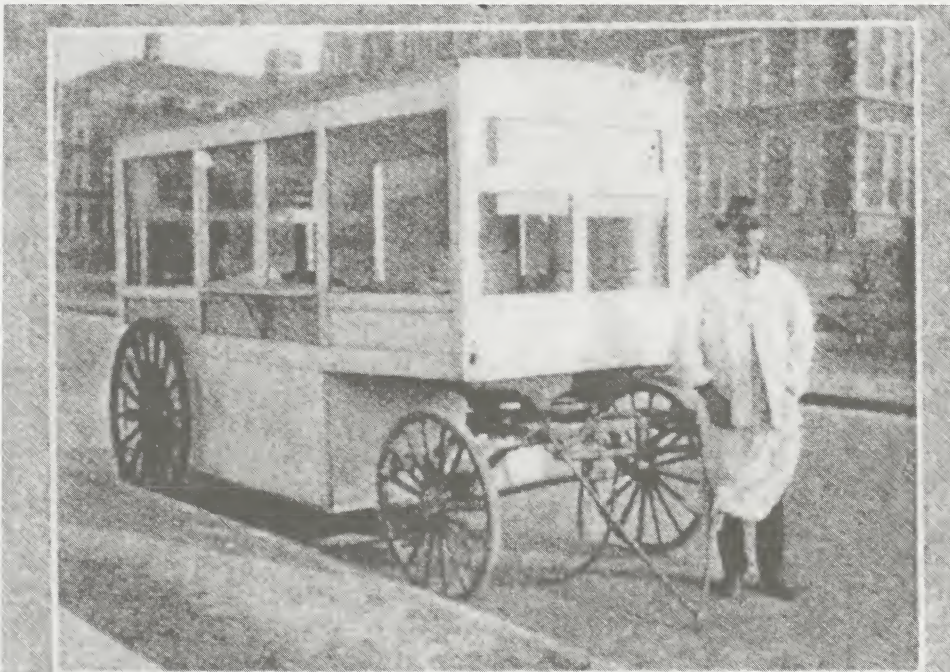
Though he only saw her twice, the lovely Beatrice inspired the works of the great Italian poet Dante. Unnoticed by most students, this silent sentinel still watches over the library, as she has for ninety years. The sculpture was a gift of the English VIII Club in the early 1920s.





#### **LIBRARY "LOPPERS."**

That is the caption in the 1933 yearbook for this early view of Waite's library. At the left, a student (or possibly a teacher) is posed standing with a book, and it is hard to tell if the other students are studying or just "lopping." Originally, the library was on the second floor. When the Skill Center was built in 1976 with its large cafeteria, the library moved up to its more spacious and beautiful home on the fourth floor.

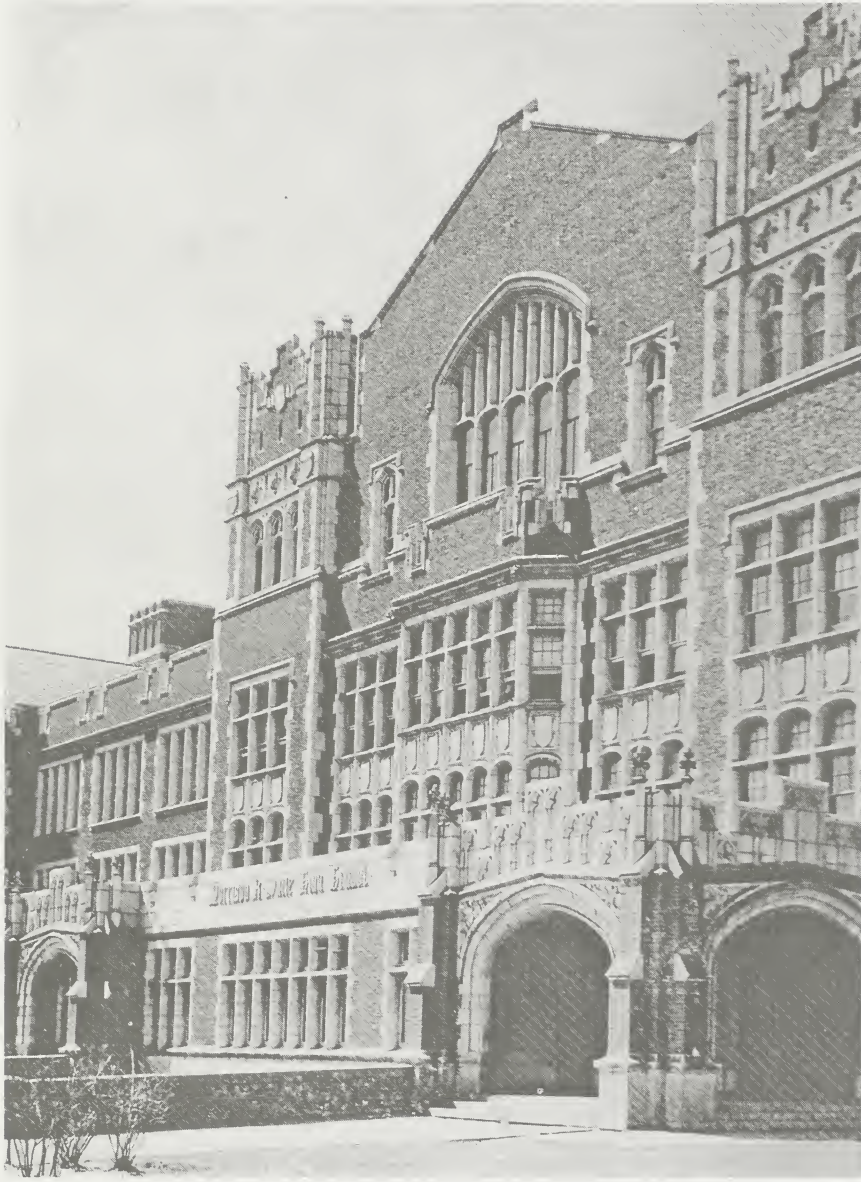


#### **GET YOUR HOT BUTTERED POPCORN HERE. SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE SCHOOL, 1925.**

Actually called the Peanut Wagon in this faded yearbook picture, the cart and its vendor are waiting to serve hungry students as they came out of school. This view shows the back of the school long before the Skill Center would be added onto the building in 1976. Many early grads will recall that Second Street, seen here, used to run close behind the west side of the school from Morrison Drive to Essex Street.

*The Peanut Wagon*





**COLLEGIATE GOTHIC.  
FRONT VIEW, 1940.**

This view of the front of Waite High School, only 26 years old at the time, shows the inspiring vertical thrust of Collegiate Gothic architecture reminiscent of the great cathedrals of Europe. The narrow windows grouped together, the towers and bowed front windows, the turrets and crenelated roofline, and the many gothic arches all contribute to this beautiful style. Waite is truly a national quality building and an architectural gem. Now, instead of going in the back of the school through the Skill Center and climbing many stairs to reach the office, visitors can come in this beautiful front entrance right to the main office area.

**NO, NOT BUILT BACKWARDS.  
FRONT OF WAITE HIGH SCHOOL,  
OCTOBER 2011.**

The east façade of the school looks just as it did in the previous photograph taken 71 years earlier. Windows and stonework are being carefully restored (notice the equipment at the left) during the renovation of the school, seen here from the same angle as above. The front of the school, which was meant to be the main entrance, has always faced East—toward the community it has now served for a century.







### **RESTORATION, NOT VANDALISM.**

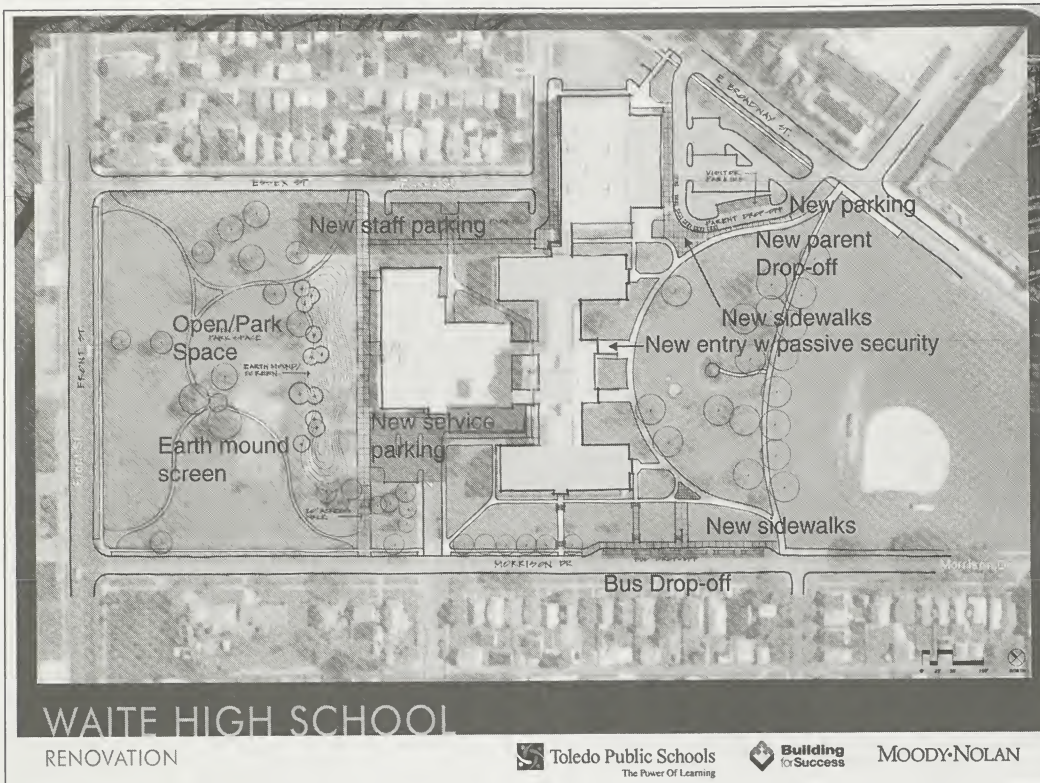
This view, taken in the summer of 2012, shows the transition from the replacement windows of the 1970s with their solid color panels to the new energy efficient windows installed during the renovation. The historically accurate windows had to be specially fabricated, causing a six-month delay in installation. At the same time, extensive repairs were made to the terra cotta, and the brickwork was tuck pointed to prevent moisture penetration before interior plaster repairs were made.

### **ORIGINALLY THE GIRLS' CLOAK ROOM. SPRING 2013.**

This little door inside an east entrance is an example of the amazing architectural quality of the building. Notice the curves and different layers of stonework just for this one small feature. Also, see how the rounded gothic arch of the stone is replicated in the wooden arch above the door's window. No modern building could afford such fine detail. The original plans intended this to be the girls' cloakroom at a time when heavy capes or cloaks were worn. Remember grade school cloakrooms? This photo shows the care that has gone into the renovation.







### WAITE CAMPUS RENOVATION PLANS. MOODY-NOLAN, APRIL 2010.

This drawing by Moody-Nolan, the renovation contractors, shows the plans for the new east entrance from the visitors' parking lot off East Broadway, along with different parking layouts that keep a sheltered open space behind the school toward Front Street. This land is now owned by the school system, giving Waite a campus of nearly 30 acres. Notice how much the Skill Center and Field House have added to the size of the building, a total of 290,141 square feet. The bus drop-off was cut in on East Broadway instead of Morrison, and some of the landscaping will still be done in the future.



### SCAFFOLDING. VIEW LOOKING EAST FROM NEAR FRONT STREET, APRIL 2012.

Window replacement, tuck pointing, and terra cotta work are all being done in this view of the extensive scaffolding that climbs up the back of the school. The side of the Skill Center was the inconvenient entrance to the building for many years. More landscaping is planned to improve the view from Front Street.





**NO PARKING ON THE GRASS. EAST FAÇADE LOOKING SOUTHWEST, SPRING 2013.**

New walkways are being laid here from the visitors' parking lot to the main entrance of the school where all the offices are now located. This new entrance is access controlled and serves as a security "pinch point" to conform with modern safety practices.



**PUTTING THE STUDENTS TO WORK? VIEW NORTHEAST TOWARD EAST BROADWAY, SPRING 2013.**

The visitors' parking lot and new walkways are now handicapped accessible, and provide a much more convenient way for the public to enter the building. Notice part of the new Garfield Elementary School seen between the old houses across East Broadway.





**JUST ONE HELPING, PLEASE.  
REFECTORY STAFF, 1923.**

The old cafeteria was a four-story sprint at top speed if a student wanted an early pick of the desserts or a full half hour to eat. Note the early equipment behind the ladies. There doesn't appear to be nearly enough food to feed two thousand hungry students.



**BEFORE THE RUSH HOUR.  
WAITE REFECTORY, 1932.**

Pictured here is the former refectory or cafeteria, looking toward the northwest entryway where students who brought their own lunches would come in. Note the faux painted block walls, the sturdy tables and chairs, and the period lighting fixtures. The large windows did not yet have the solid color panels that would block much of the light into the area.





**A BANQUET HALL LIKE A CATHEDRAL. WAITE REFECTORY, VIEW TOWARD THE NORTHEAST CORNER, 1923.**

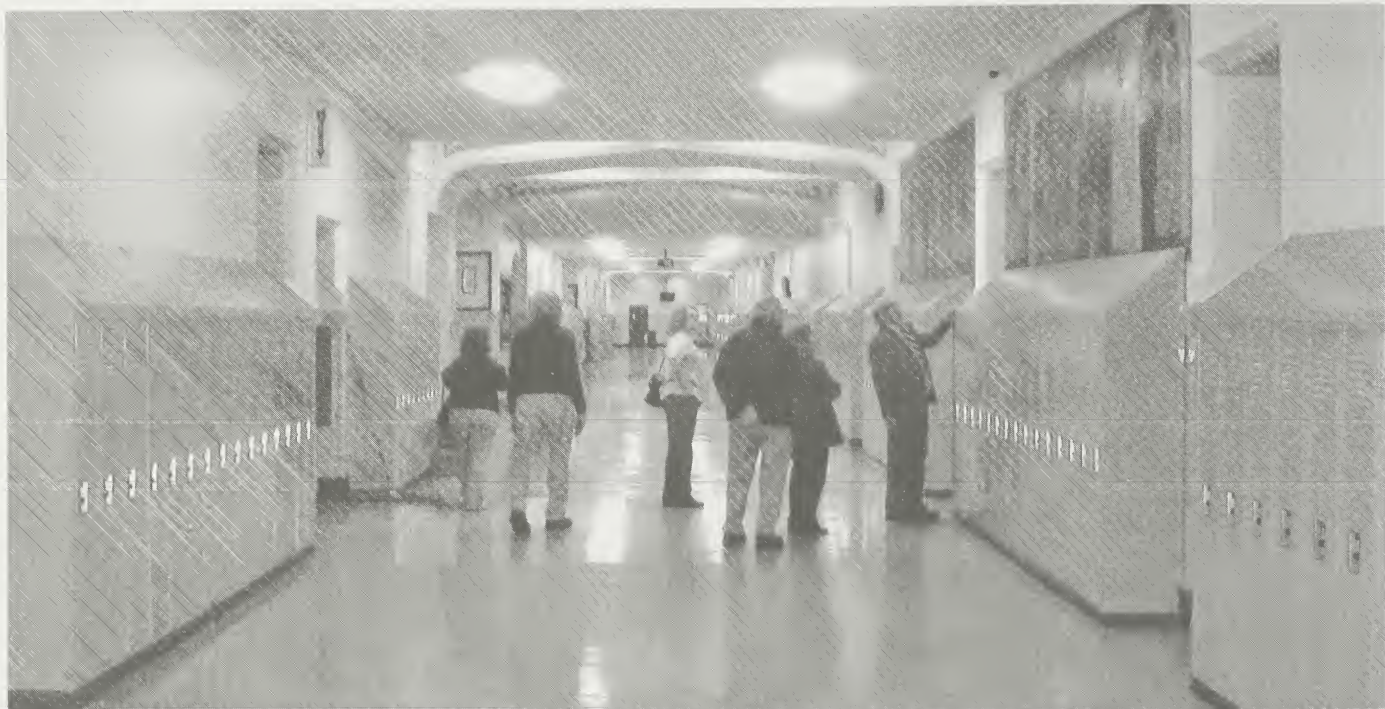
The impressive size of the fourth-floor area of the school is apparent in this old yearbook photo. The large "wooden" beams in the ceiling were in fact cast concrete, again faux painted to resemble the beams of a medieval or gothic banquet hall.



**WAITE LIBRARY RESTORED, APRIL 2013.**

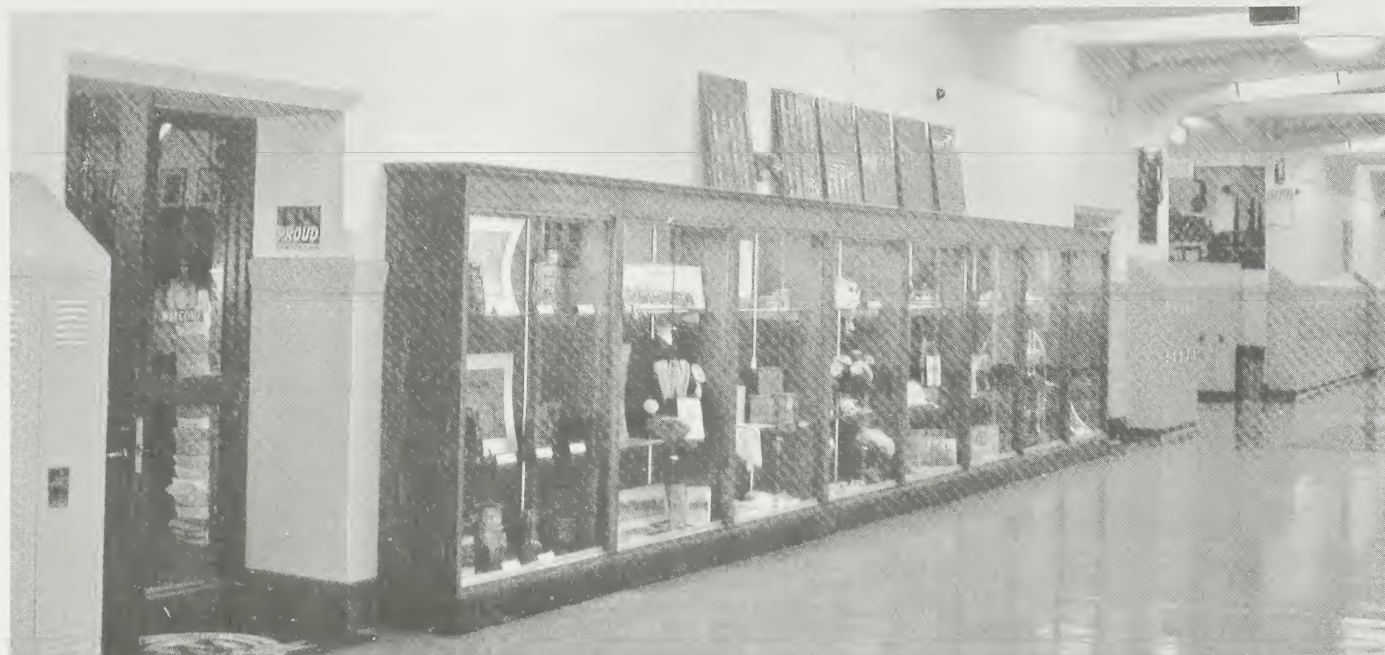
The old refectory or cafeteria has been returned to its former glory. This same view toward the northeast corner, as in the previous picture taken exactly 90 years earlier, shows how little has changed. The gothic arches of the large end windows are reflected in the high colored-glass windows between the ornate ceiling support beams. Historically accurate, energy efficient windows have again allowed more light into the room.





**IS THAT HAMLET? SHAKESPEARE MURAL, SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY, NOVEMBER 2013.**

One of the school's many fine murals depicts characters from the plays of William Shakespeare, appropriately located near the second-floor entrance to the auditorium and near where the library used to be. Here alumni who served on the renovation committee, with Bob Clark on the right, are identifying (or trying to identify) the Shakespearian protagonists. Also pictured here are Jean Wilcik, Tom Schuster, alumni chairman Jean Clark, Vic Kissoff, and Suzi Michaels.



**MAIN OFFICE ENTRANCE & TROPHY CASES, FIRST FLOOR, NOVEMBER 2013.**

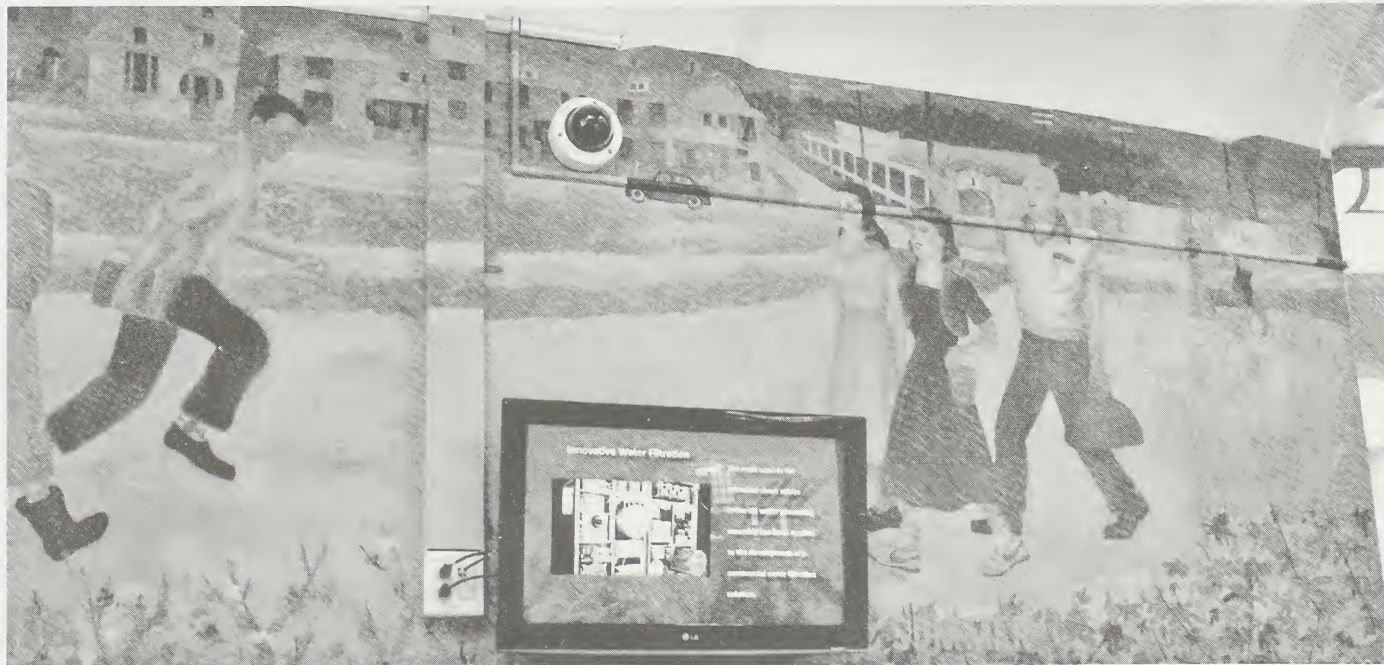
The offices are now located near the public entrance of the building. The trophy cases extend along the whole wall between the east entrances, and contain many awards and memorabilia from Waite's history. The old plaque above lockers just beyond the cases records students from the old Toledo High School who fought in the Civil War. The hallways have been cleaned and brightened with old carpeting now long gone and new lighting fixtures added.





**STUDENTS KEPT BUSY. WAITE HALLWAY MURAL, 2013.**

A major challenge during the renovation of the school was preserving Waite's historic student murals. This detailed painting depicts many student activities, including the Sizzle, Retina, Purple & Gold yearbooks, and Waite Follies. There was also a radio station called WHS. Even with the intrusion of new vents and electrical runs, the murals were carefully restored by Waite alumna Carol Horton Sicha, a noted artist, who masterfully preserved the detail and quality of the originals.



**DON'T TRIP OVER THE TV. RESTORED WAITE MURAL, 2013.**

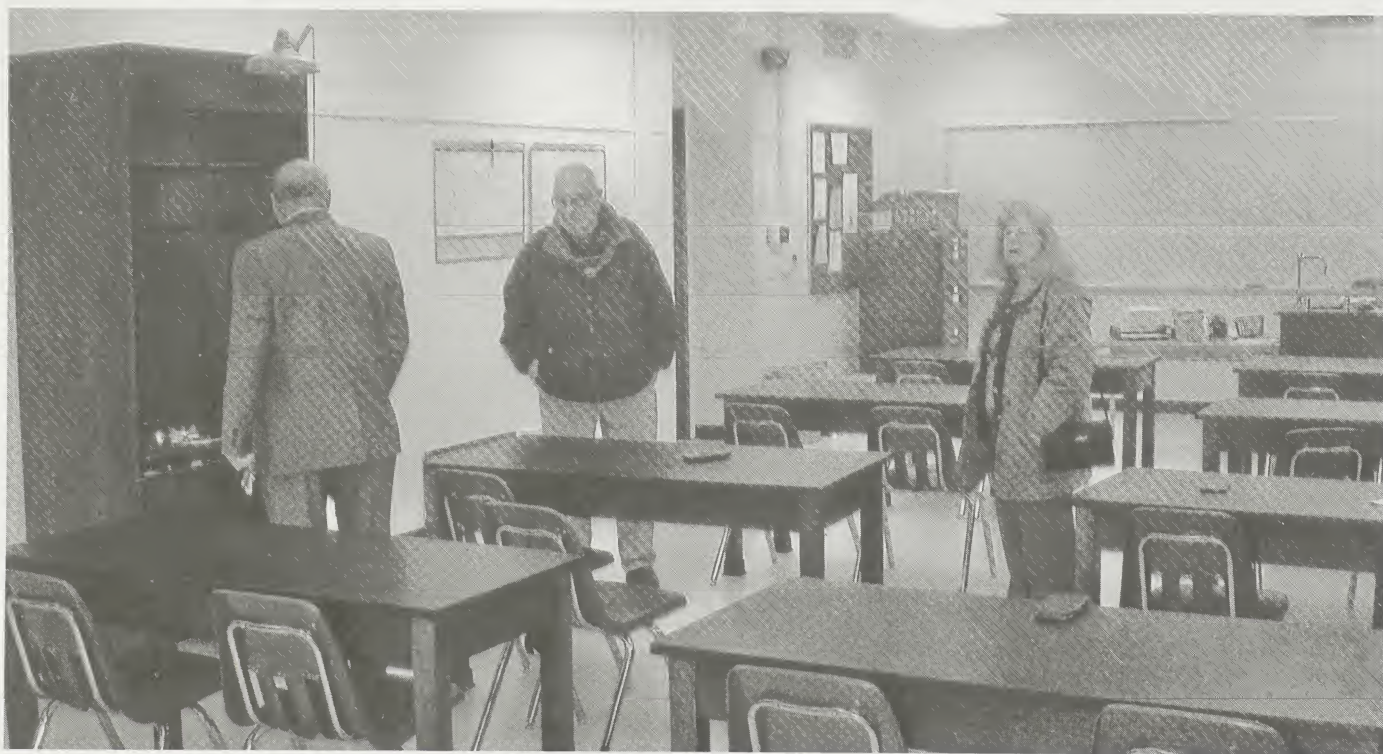
The old and the new blend together in the recent remodeling of the school. Flat screen televisions are now located throughout the building to keep students informed on current events and school announcements. The painting even restores the electrical run over the students and the car on East Broadway. The stadium and houses in the background are accurately portrayed.





**STAIRWELL GATHERING. FIRST FLOOR SOUTH STAIRWELL, NOVEMBER 2013.**

In urban legend, this is one of the places where the architect is said to have plunged to his death when he discovered the school was built backwards. Actually, the wide circular end stairways are among the impressive architectural features of the building. These more recent murals show the diversity and vitality of the Waite student body.



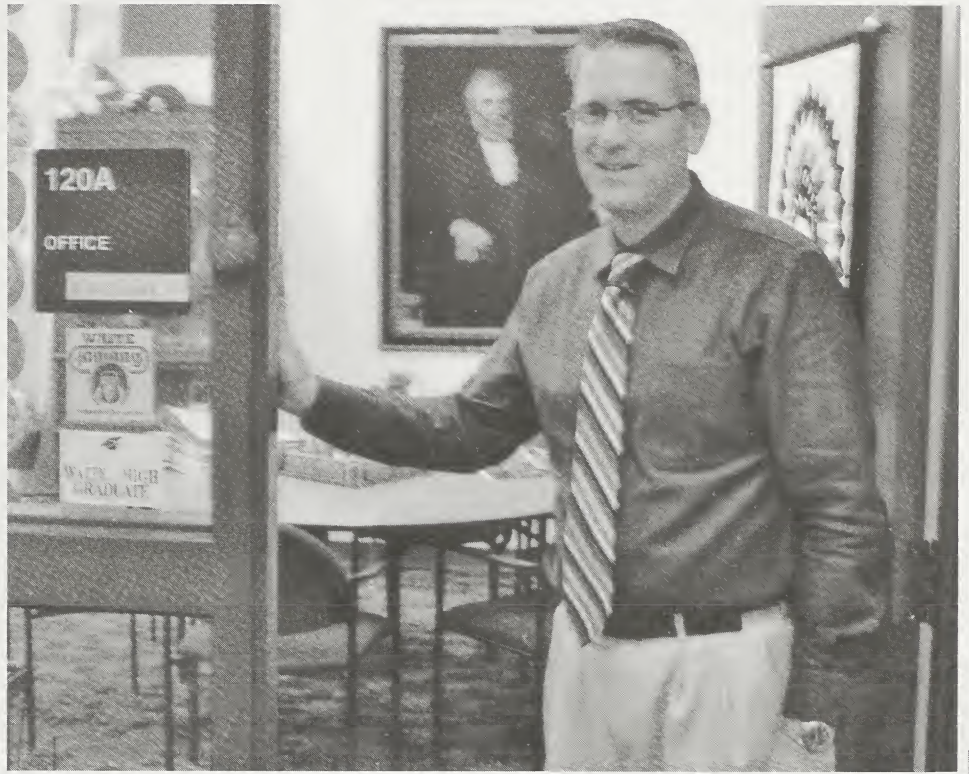
**READY FOR A SHOWER. RENOVATED SCIENCE LAB, 2013.**

The old dark and rather dingy, not to mention foul smelling, science labs are a thing of the past. Some alumni can recall smoky experiments dangerously gone awry in these very rooms. This restored lab even features, at the left, an emergency shower in case of an accidental chemical spill.



**YOU WERE SENT HERE FOR  
DOING WHAT? DAVID  
YENRICK, PRINCIPAL'S  
OFFICE, 2013.**

Mr. Yenrick, a Waite graduate and former teacher, truly does have an open door policy to students and to the community, and has done a tremendous job promoting school spirit and carrying on the important traditions of Waite High School. He is the school's 10th principal in 100 years, and when he retires at the end of the school year in 2014, he will have been the second longest in tenure with nineteen years of service. Notice the apple on the doorpost, and the school's namesake, Morrison R. Waite, looking over his shoulder.



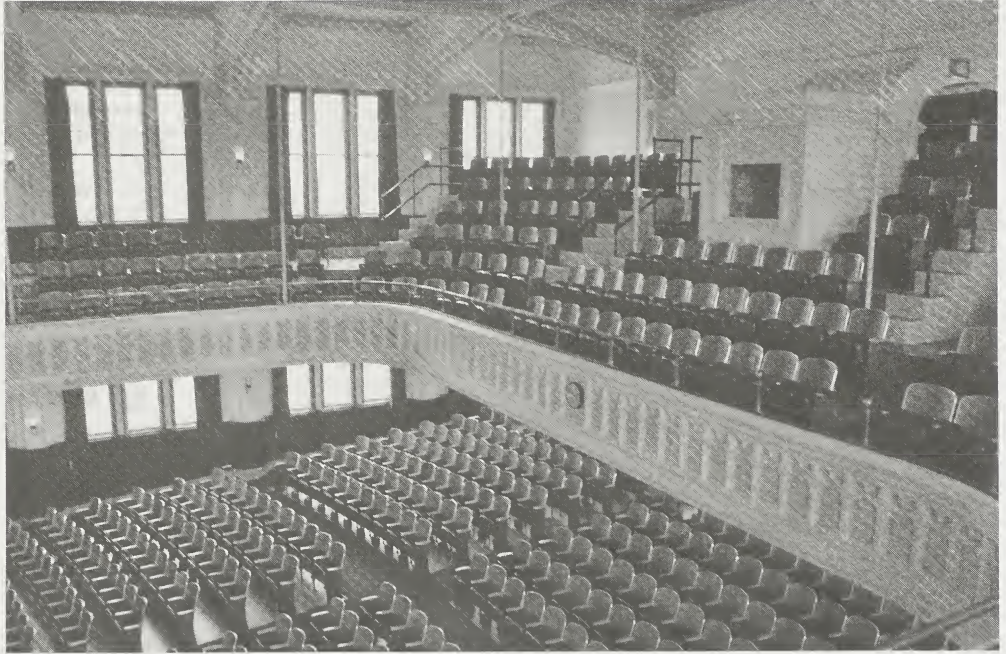
**HELLO, MAY I HELP YOU? WAITE'S MAIN OFFICES, 2013.**

Now located in the center of the first-floor hallway where the old 116 Study Hall used to be, the main offices are bright and spacious, and much more convenient to school visitors. Assistant principals, counselors, as well as secretarial staff are located here. Photos of Waite's ten principals are displayed above the cabinets at the upper right. If not having returned in a while, all alumni are encouraged to drop by and see how great the old school now looks.



**PLENTY OF GOOD SEATS**  
**LEFT. WAITE AUDITORIUM**  
**RESTORATION, 2013.**

When Waite was built, one of its crowning architectural glories was its beautiful 850-seat auditorium. A roof leak and the passage of time led to damaged plaster, fading paint, and worn seats. The Ohio Facilities Commission would not allow public money to be used for auditoriums, which is why a gem like Waite's auditorium will never be built again. Under the leadership of alumni chairman Jean Clark, signature gifts from Ray Frick ('64), Bob and Margaret Ball Wagner ('65), Darla Wandtke ('69), and other generous alumni, enough money was raised for restoration of the auditorium, making it again the beautiful theater it was built to be.



**REMEMBERING. WAITE'S MEMORIAL MONUMENT, 2009.**

In 1944, during World War II, a Memorial Walk was dedicated in front of the school to honor Waite students who lost their lives in the service of their country. Later, on May 27, 1950, a granite monument was dedicated and inscribed with the names of all the former students who had died during the war. Over the years, the names of students who have fallen in other wars were added, and a memorial service in their honor has been conducted every May, with John Glenn speaking in 1986. Recently, the monument has been moved closer to the school to become part of a Memorial Garden.



# ADMINISTRATION

## *Teaching, Inspiring, Guiding, & Mentoring*

### INTRODUCTION

Its greatest asset, Waite has had a century's worth of talented and dedicated principals, teachers, and staff. So many outstanding leaders have served the school during the past one hundred years that it is impossible to mention all those worthy of inclusion in this brief history. The ten principals and many of the fine teachers highlighted in this section are representative of the great leadership Waite has had over the years.

Teaching, guiding, and mentoring young people is not the easiest job in the world, but those who are called to do so are among the most important people in any community. Waite has been blessed with so many. Also, Waite's leaders have shown a remarkable loyalty to the school. A large number of Waite grads have come home to teach at the school, many serving their alma mater during the course of their whole career, teaching two or even three generations of the same East Side families.

Current principal, David Yenrick, graduated from Waite, taught at Waite, and has now served as Waite's principal for the past nineteen years. The other members of the current administration are assistant principals Karen Berman and Elizabeth Thompson; deans Gardner Howard and Carolyn Yenrick; and counselors Jeffrey Griffith, Jill Magrum, and Joshua Vance.

This section, as does this whole history, honors Waite's many outstanding leaders who have served so well in the past and who are also a light to guide the school into future generations.



#### **EARLY FACULTY.**

Front, Marion Hart, Tom Hall, Florence Rees, Kathryn Newbert, Louise Nelson and Mary Roach. Back Row, Maxine Cosgray, Theresea Malloy, Norma Wintermantel, Mildred Cowell, Anna Commenger, Alice Allen, and George Konnert.



## WAITE'S PRINCIPALS

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It is an indication of the stability of Waite High School that in its first one hundred years of existence only ten persons have held its highest office. Each one has brought his own individual talents, and each one has served the school well in his own particular time during all the changes and challenges of the past century.

In the first years a strong businessman was needed. Other times required an administrator or more of a mentor. The job has probably become more difficult and complicated over the years with the changes in society, and it is more important for the principal to foster a strong connection with the community as well as with the students.

Philip Conser was the longest serving principal, a term of 28 years, and David Yenrick is second longest, concluding his 19th year this June. The next few pages are a tribute to the ten principals of Waite's first century.



**CHARLES W. GAYMAN (1914-1919)**

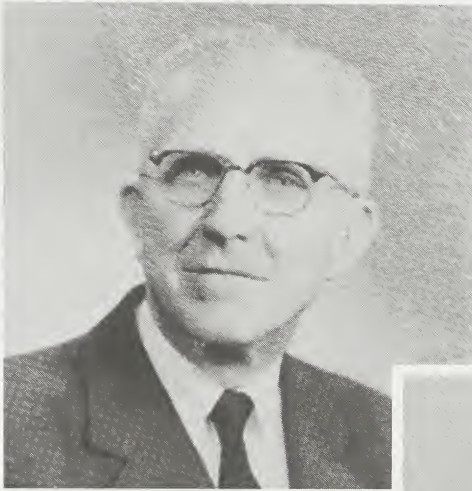
The school's first principal, Mr. Gayman, along with most of the first faculty members, came from the old Toledo Central High School where he also served as principal. He was reported to be an efficient administrator who was liked by the teachers, but was not popular with the student body because, according to the 1939 Purple and Gold, he was a strict disciplinarian. He resigned from Waite in 1919 to go into business with the Toledo Scale Company, and in 1921 left to teach in Los Angeles.



**JAMES POLLOCK (1919-1929)**

Waite's second principal had an unusual distinction. He was appointed by the Board of Education only after a referendum conducted by the faculty and students who supported the former athletic director for the position. Mr. Pollock greatly expanded athletics and student activities at Waite, and led the school through a period of growth during the Roaring Twenties.





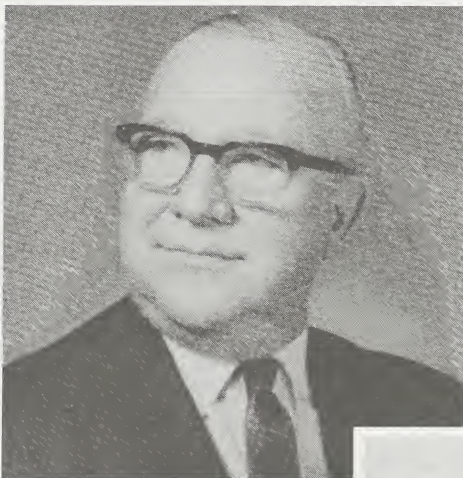
**PHILIP CONSER (1929-1957)**

Mr. Conser had the longest tenure of any Waite principal to date, and during his administration both the stadium and the field house were built, and the school's curriculum was expanded. He was an ardent supporter of academics, extra-curricular activities, and athletics. His tenure spanned the Great Depression, World War II, and into the 1950s, encompassing a time of great social change. He is still fondly remembered by many alumni who were students during his era.



**CHRISTIAN THOMSON (1957-1962)**

Mr. Thomson, class of 1925, was the first Waite graduate to become principal. He also taught at Waite in the industrial arts department where he specialized in radio and other emerging technologies. At Waite, he also served as counselor, assistant principal, and finally principal. Not waiting to start, he left Waite to become principal of the newly built Start High School in 1962. In 1972 he was made Executive Director of Secondary Schools where he was in charge of all Toledo's high schools.



**LEONARD HENDRICKSON (1962-1970)**

Also a Waite graduate, class of 1929, Mr. Hendrickson returned in 1946 after serving as a colonel during World War II. At Waite, Mr. Hendrickson taught mathematics and, because of his military bravery, driver education. Prior to becoming principal, he served as dean and assistant principal. His leadership was during a time of great cultural upheaval in the 1960s.



**RAY MCNEILL (1970-1974)**

Waite's sixth principal, Mr. McNeill was previously the first principal of Bowsher High School. During his administration, planning was done for the new Skill Center. Considered an "outsider" by some of the faculty, many of whom were Waite graduates, Mr. McNeill had a short and interesting career at the helm of the school, also enduring the teacher strike of 1970. He later served as Assistant Director of Secondary Schools.



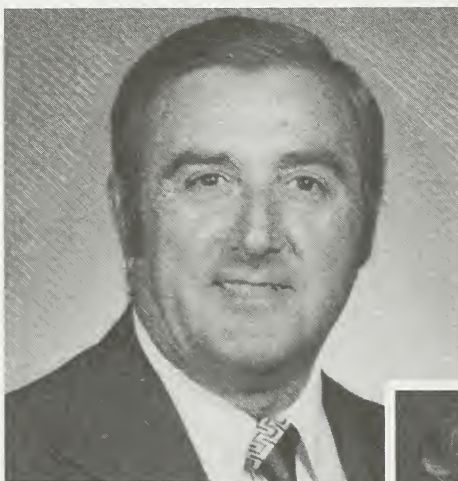
**LEWIS CROSS (1974-1982)**

A Waite graduate, class of 1946, and star pitcher, Mr. Cross was a lieutenant in the Air Force during the Korean War, taught and coached at Woodward and Start, and was principal at DeVilbiss for six years before becoming the seventh principal of Waite. He was committed to reinforcing and maintaining Waite's strong traditions. Popular with both faculty and students, Mr. Cross considered Waite his favorite position.



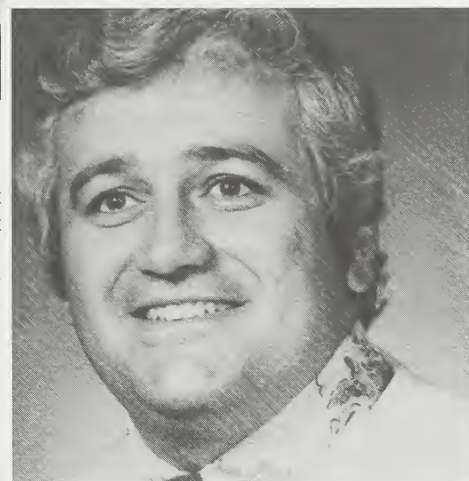
**STEVE CONTOS (1982-1990)**

Mr. Contos graduated in the Waite class of 1945, and was teammate and leading hitter on the baseball teams with Mr. Cross. He was head football coach at Macomber before coming to Waite first as an assistant principal. He focused on reinvigorating academics and faculty involvement during his administration as principal. A member of the Waite Athletic Hall of Fame and a fine leader, he is fondly remembered in the East Side community.



**RICARDO CERVANTES (1990-1996)**

While not a Waite graduate (St. Francis), Mr. Cervantes spent most of his career at Waite, as a Spanish teacher, assistant principal, and dean. Liked by faculty and students, he became Waite's ninth principal in 1990. His leadership qualities were rewarded in early 1996 when he left to become Executive Director of Secondary Education for all Toledo high schools.



**DAVID YENRICK (1996-)**

Graduate of the class of 1974, Mr. Yenrick is a third generation alumnus, as both his parents, Bob and Jane Yenrick, and his grandmother Cornelia Palmer attended Waite. He was a teacher and assistant principal at Waite before becoming the school's second-longest serving principal. He has always been sensitive to the traditions of Waite and works closely with the community and the alumni to bring additional support to his alma mater. With an eye on preserving Waite's historical heritage he has overseen the important renovation of the school and stadium. He will be greatly missed when he retires.





## TEACHERS

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It would take a volume many times the size of this book to do proper justice to each teacher who touched the lives of and influenced generations of Waite students. In fact, many teachers did influence generations of Waite students, because some served for nearly fifty years. This was especially true in the early days of the school. Teachers in the first quarter of Waite's existence often worked until the mandatory retirement age of seventy.

During the Depression, when schools were short of money, teachers worked for scrip that could be redeemed for taxes and accepted at some civic-minded grocers and merchants. In those early days, women teachers who married were often either the first let go during an economic crisis or were forced to resign when times were tough. That is why until about 1960 most high school female teachers were single. Many female teachers began to be hired only when a shortage developed because men could make a good deal more money elsewhere in post-World War II Toledo. It was common in the 1960s and 1970s for factories and refineries to hire male teachers for part-time and summer work.

Still, Waite teachers have always been dedicated and supportive of the school. At Waite, an amazing number graduates returned to work at their alma mater. Rarely does a school have so many of its students come back to teach or even become principal, and then also to remain for such a large part of their careers. Such loyalty has made Waite a close-knit environment that has benefited students throughout the school's history. Some of those returning graduates are highlighted later in this section. It should also be mentioned that Romules Durant, the current superintendent of Toledo Public Schools, is a 1994 graduate of Waite. A special climate existed at Waite that was not found at other high schools, partly because of the close camaraderie from their shared East Side working-class roots.

Waite teachers have served as advocates, informal counselors, enforcers of discipline, and life-long friends. Every Waite student had his or her favorites. It would be impossible to adequately honor the strength of commitment and often economic sacrifice made by these many teachers over the years. Their reward comes from knowing that their efforts enriched the lives of a century of Waite's students. The strong teaching staff has been one of a number of factors that has helped set Waite apart from other schools, and has made it a special place to learn, grow, and mature.

Due to space limitations, only some examples of Waite's many outstanding teachers can be highlighted here, with an emphasis on those who served at Waite for a large part of their careers and on Waite's own graduates who returned to teach at the school. These are hopefully representative of very many more, including at least a few of each reader's favorites. This section ends with a listing of those who have taught for at least twenty years at Waite, and the authors apologize if any names have accidentally been omitted.





When Waite opened its doors in 1914, some of the teachers during those first years had come over from the old Toledo Central High School downtown. Many of them remained at Waite for the rest of their long careers, including the two described below: Frederick Mathias and the appropriately named Sarah Waite.

## Frederick Mathias Ends 48 Years' Service In Local Schools.

Frederick Mathias, teacher of mathematics in Waite High School, will retire this year after 48 years' service in high schools here. He



**Frederick  
Mathias**

was given a farewell party Wednesday afternoon by the National Honor Society of Waite which gave him a present.

Robert Keesey is president of the society; Miss Sara Waite and Miss Mildred Burns, advisers, and Bernice Te-

beau, chairman of the party.

Mr. Mathias was graduated from the old Toledo High School in 1889 with valedictorian honors. He entered the Ohio State University the same year and in 1893 was graduated with a bachelor of science degree. He at once accepted a position in Toledo High School, later known as Central High School. He taught physiology, botany, algebra and physics but for many years has taught only mathematics. He was one of the staff that went to Waite when it was established

1914.



**SARAH WAITE** was also a member of Waite's first teaching staff. Her career lasted through World War I, the Roaring Twenties, the Great Depression, World War II, and into the 1950s. She was still teaching at Waite in 1954, as was Fred Klag, another original teacher from 1914, when the school celebrated its 40th anniversary.

**FREDERICK MATHIAS**, an original Waite staff member of 1914, had taught science at the old Toledo High School since 1893, the year he graduated from Ohio State University. His teaching career spanned forty-eight years until he retired from Waite at the mandatory age of 70 in 1941. The accompanying article noted a farewell party given for him by the National Honor Society chapter at Waite High School.

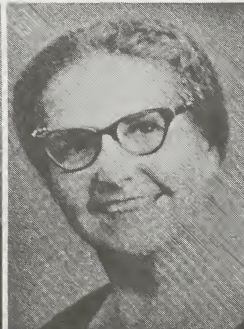


## An Era of Pioneers

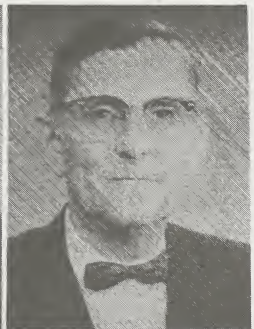
There was plenty of "Reading and Writing and 'Rithmetic" — plus many other subjects — taught, but no one was aware of a "hick'ry stick" in the classroom in Waite High. Students occasionally heard a paddling in the halls or knew that deserved chastisement took place in the principal's or dean's office, but the majority of the faculty throughout Waite's existence have relied upon strong personalities and excellent scholastic backgrounds to make them unforgettable teachers.



Mr. William Brenner   Mrs. Victoria Canfield   Mrs. Delia Fortune



Mrs. Marguerite Griffith   Miss Marion Hart   Mr. Fred Klag   Mr. George Konnert



Mr. Arthur Mills   Mrs. Mildred Osborne   Mr. Steve Rohlfig   Mr. Jesse Steiner

### PIONEER TEACHERS

This selection of "Pioneer Teachers" from *The Years of the Indian* (1980) is a sampling of the long-serving teachers during the first half of Waite's first century. Among this grouping, Marguerite Griffith also served as dean, Fred Klag was a dean and an athletic director, and Mr. Konnert was a school counselor for many years.



## WAITE GRADUATES WHO TAUGHT AT WAITE

One of the highest recommendations for the experience of being a student or a teacher at Waite is the number of graduates who have returned to teach at their school, and who remained there throughout their teaching careers. Over fifty Waite graduates have been on the teaching staff. The list includes Bill Bartha, Edythe Bumgardner, Milton Carswell, Mildred Cowell, Bernie Frick, Helen Gilbert, Marion Hart, Leonard Hendrickson, Kevin Horn, Fred Klag, Carole Kiroff, Bob Lengel, Dan Marazon, Mary Morales, Alice Nauts, Mildred Osborne, Frank Pauly, Kris Veronie Reder, Elmer Scallish, Christian Thomson, Jerry Wasserman, and Jim Wasserman, as well as those mentioned below and on the following page.

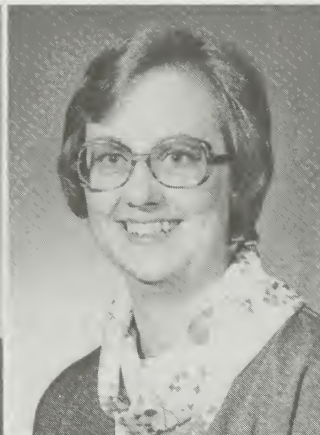
Pictured here from *The Years of the Indian* are twenty-two other Waite grads who were on the staff in 1980:



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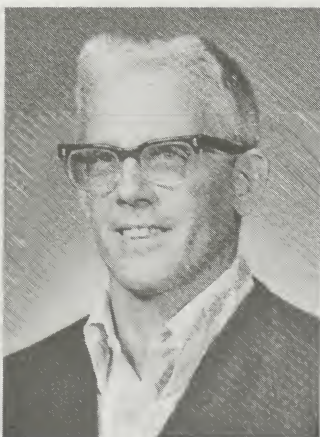
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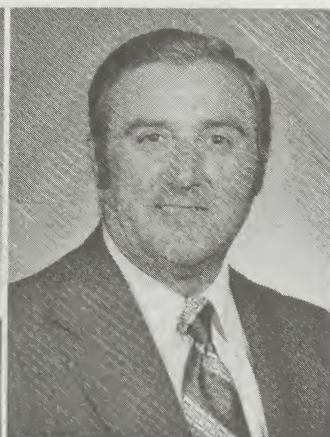
Lois Bellville



Russ Bless

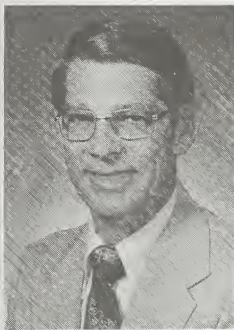


Neil Burson

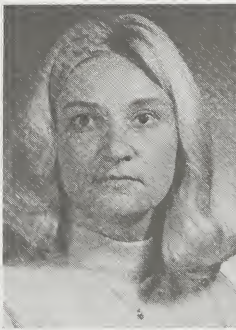


Steve Contos

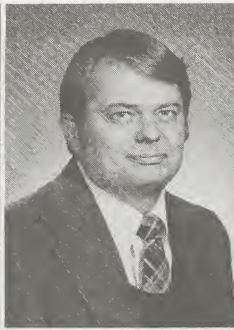




Lewis Cross



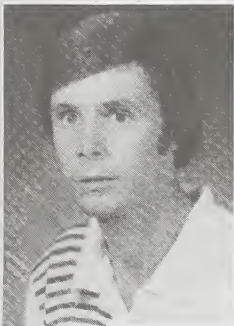
Sally Dunn



Robert Genzman



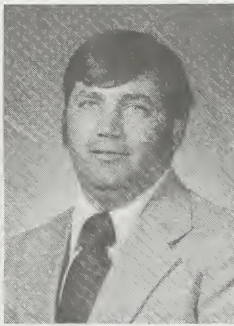
Helen Gilbert



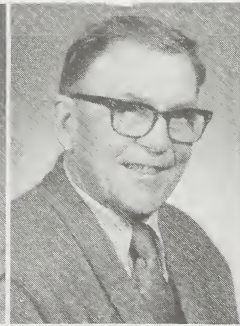
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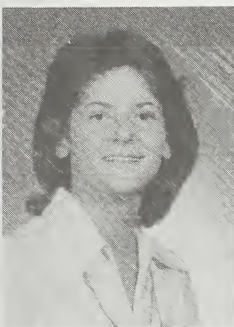
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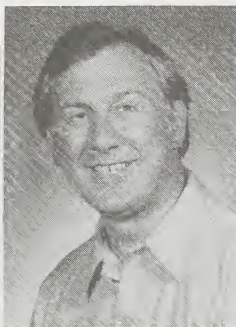
Bryan Reamsnyder



Lester Rideout



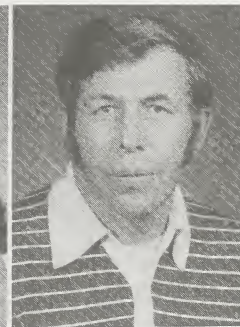
Carol Sweet



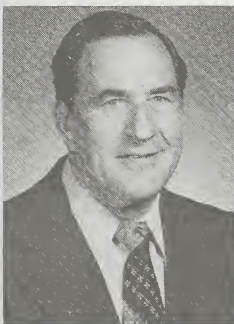
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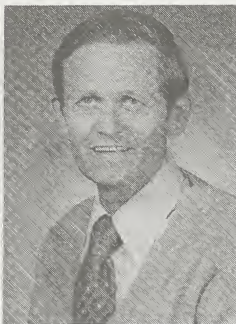
Ethel Thompson



James Wasserman



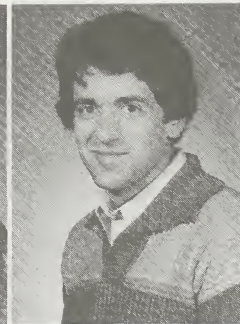
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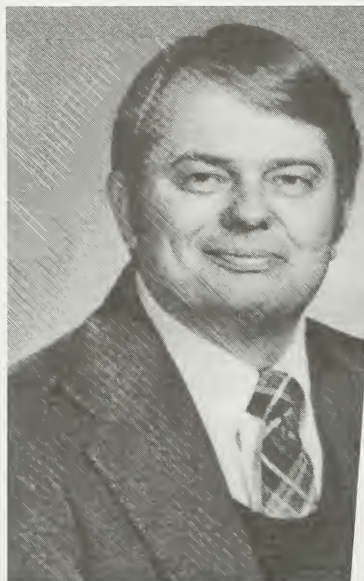


Jeannette Woggerman



David Yenrick





## "QUICK" LOOK IN CLASSROOMS

by Jim Quick

While roaming the first floor hall, the Sizzle's roving scholar was attracted to room 117 by the lecturing of Mr. Robert Genzman. His discussion concerned the South from 1830 to the Civil War. The audience was his first hour American history class.

Mr. Genzman went into detail, explaining the economic condition of the South prior to the war. He related the why of things as well as the where, who and when. Class members were also told of the South's great men in this period. President Andrew Jackson, John C. Calhoun, Henry Clay and Daniel Webster were but a few that were mentioned.

Reluctantly, the scholar bade farewell, taking with him, his increased knowledge of American history.

**BOB GENZMAN**, who taught history and social studies, was also Waite's resident historian.

Early in his career, Sizzle reporter Jim Quick described visiting one of Mr. Genzman's classes in the December 4, 1964 issue



**DR. SALLY DUNN**, a Distinguished Waite Alumna, assisted generations of Waite students who planned to enter business careers. This was a skill much in demand when Fortune 500 companies still dominated Toledo.



**NEIL BURSON**, Waite grad and cross country star who still holds some school records, was an excellent teacher of vocational skills during his career at Waite.



Waite grad, **DAVE ALVARADO**, spent a lot of his time redirecting possible drop-out students toward graduation and a lifetime of success.





**WILLIAM BRENNER** spent his career teaching science and physics to Waite students. He is fondly remembered for his skill in demonstrating natural phenomena such as gravity and leverage by using clever, every-day examples. His legacy lives on through the scholarship award he provided that is given to a Waite student each year.



A Waite student athlete, **MARK WELKER**, had a long teaching career at the school, during which he served in a wide variety of other ways. In addition to his teaching duties, he was also a dean, swimming instructor, job placement coordinator, and long-time baseball coach. In retirement he remains very popular with his former students.

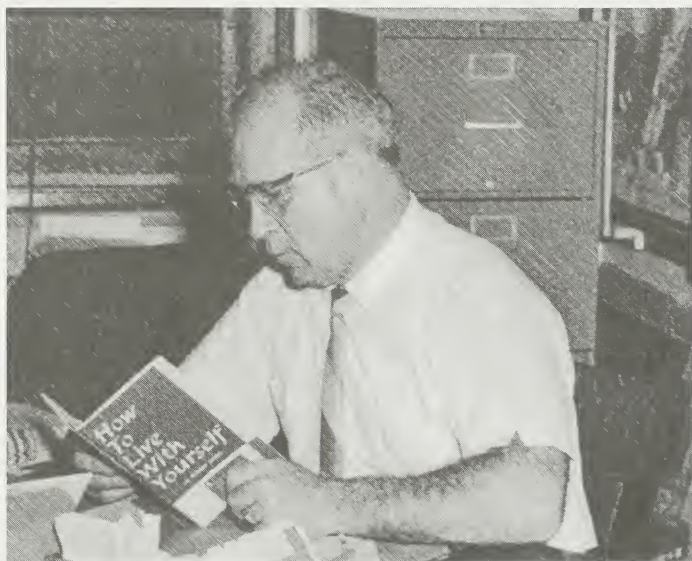


**LUKE MURPHY**, pictured here as a student in 1982, has been a long-serving teacher, and his son Joshua was also a top Waite student-athlete, class of 2013, and recipient of the Maxine Cosgray Award.



**KRISTIE SINIFT GIBBS**, dedicated Waite teacher, delivering her 1994 Salutatorian speech in this photo. Her husband Paul Gibbs, a TPS teacher and administrator, is also a Waite grad who taught at Waite.





An early Waite graduate and star athlete, **CLAIRE DUNN** taught social studies and coached for many years, and had the gift for making learning fun. Dr. Sally Dunn is a niece of his, and Deanna Dunn, school photographer, is his daughter. His playful sense of humor is apparent in this picture as he poses reading a book called "How To Live With Yourself."

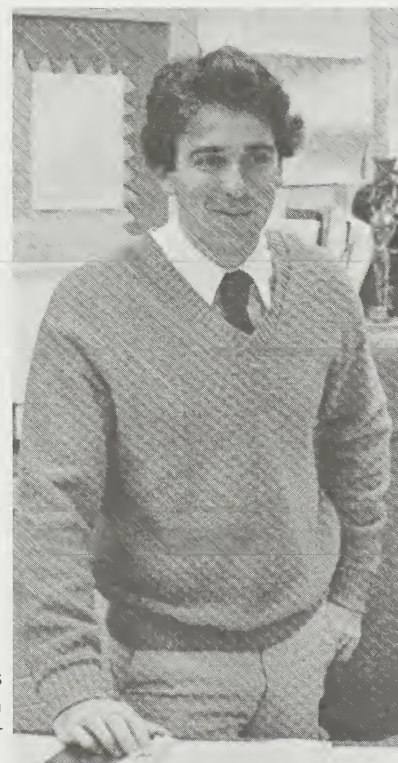


**RUSS BLESS**, class of 1966, is shown here receiving his 10th year teaching award from principle Steve Contos in 1984. Mr. Bless also frequently served as class advisor.



**BRYAN REAMSNYDER**, another Waite graduate, served as a teacher and in many other capacities during his long career.

Current principal **DAVID YENRICK** also taught at Waite at the beginning of his career, as seen here in 1981. He has served his alma mater throughout his life, and his wife Carolyn has also been a dedicated administrator for many years at Waite. Contrary to popular rumor, Mr. Yenrick does not live at the school, but also maintains a separate residence.

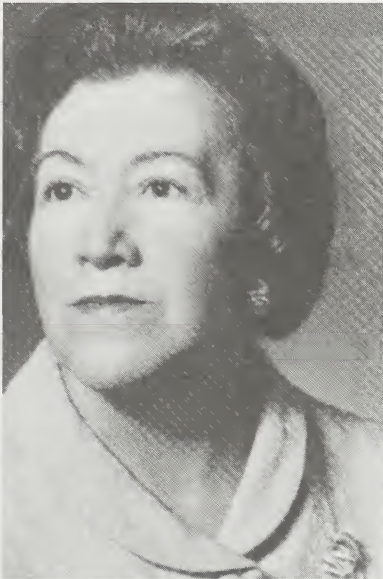




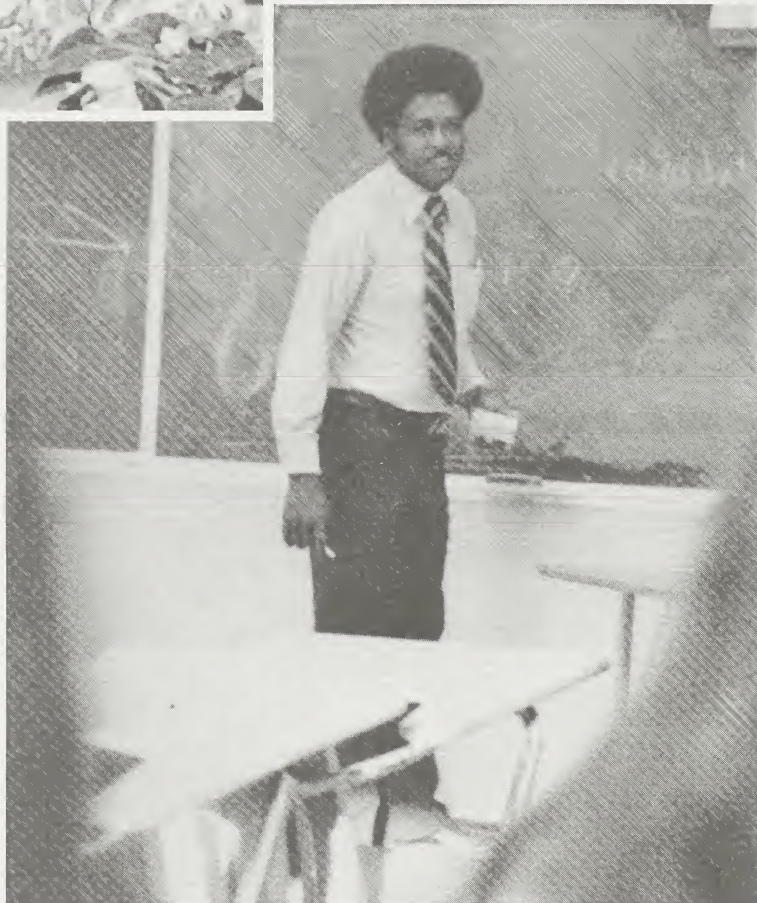
## A GALLERY OF OTHER WELL-REMEMBERED TEACHERS —



One of Waite's most loved teachers, **MAXINE COSGRAY** taught English and foreign languages to generations of students. She was the epitome of a dedicated teacher, and was renowned for her leadership qualities. She also served as the advisor for the yearbook as well as countless other clubs and organizations. One of the authors of this book still has a pair of Argyll socks she knitted for him. Appropriately, Waite's annual Citizenship Award is named for her.



Scion of the science wing, **NORMA WINTERMANTEL** taught biology to generations of students, who produced those generations by perhaps following what they learned in class. Many Waite grads remember that she also provided their first encounter with the advanced science of dead animal dissection.



**FRED FAILS**, a popular and long-serving higher math and honors math teacher, was also a city-wide leader as vice-president of the Toledo Federation of Teachers.





**JERRY (J. W.) LAMB DIN** exemplified dedication. He served as a role model for his students, and was popular with both students and faculty.

**JACK O'CONNELL** was a history teacher, mentor, and coach who was well known for his dry sense of humor. He would tell cheerleaders or other students who ventured into the field house after school during basketball practice that they would have to "pardon my French." He once became upset when hockey sticks used in gym classes were damaging the basketball floor. Much later the sticks were found hidden behind the water closets in the second floor faculty lounge. Both as a teacher and coach he had a strong influence on the lives of many Waite students.

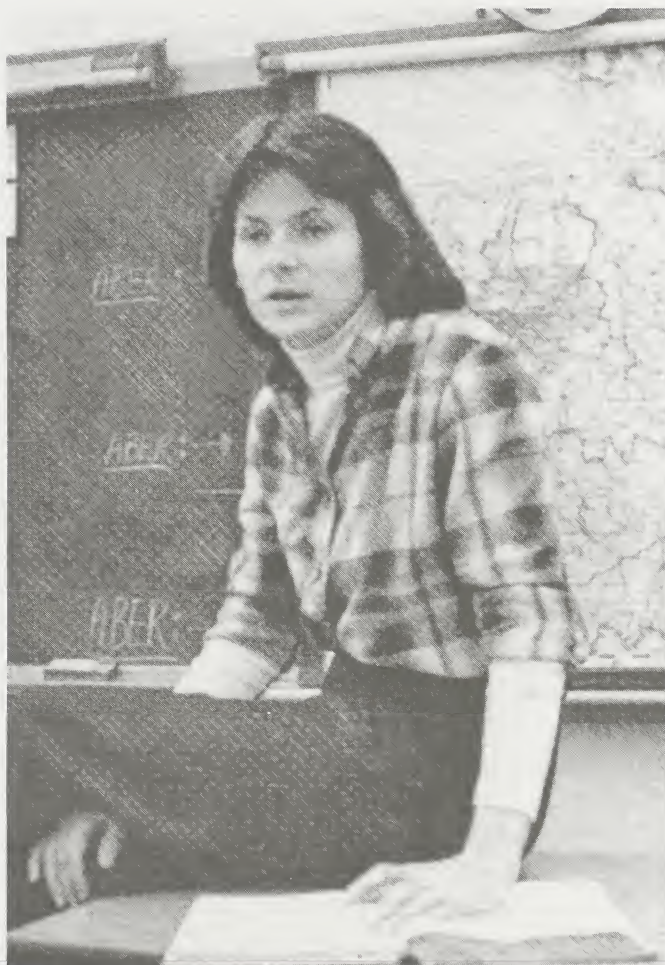
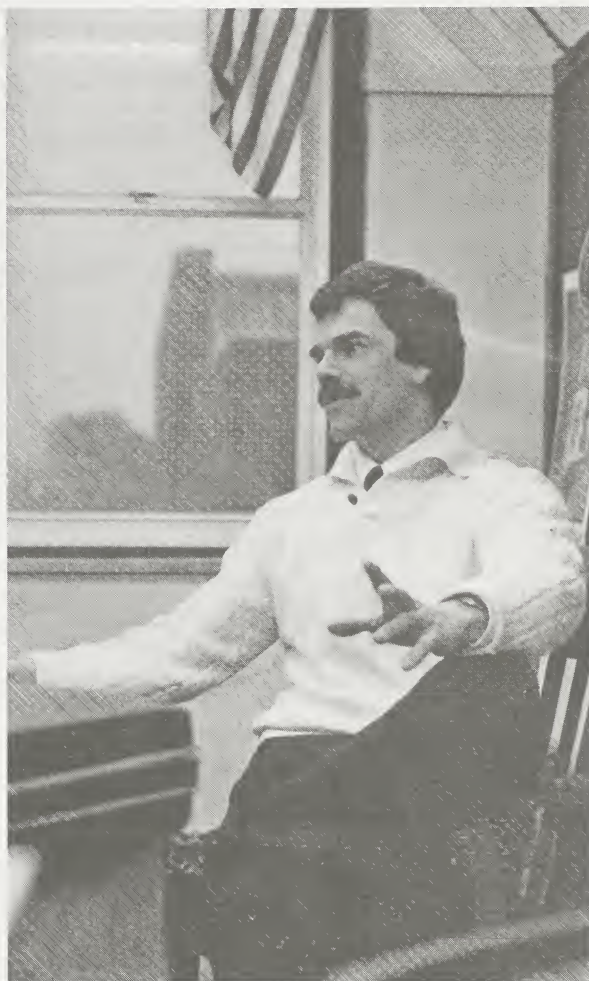


Long-time Waite teacher and coach, **STEVE ROHLFING** poses here in the lab with members of one of his chemistry classes. Oddly, none of the students are holding their noses.

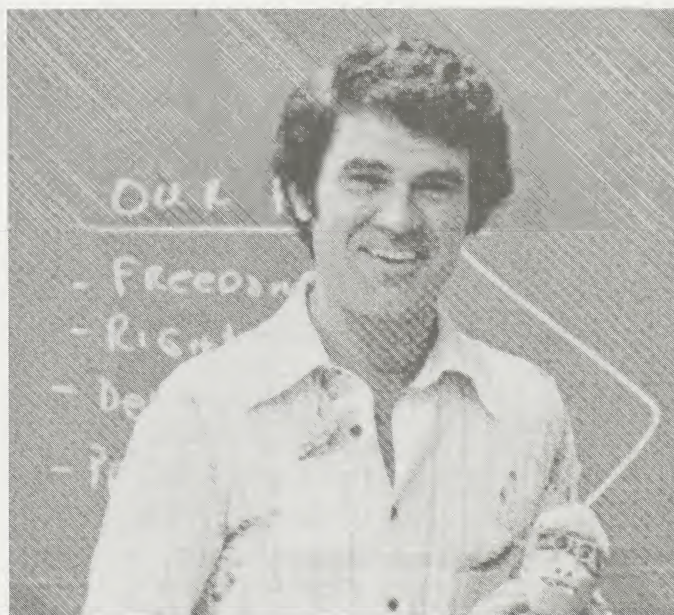




**DENNIS KISH** appears in this photo to be making a point with one of his history classes in the 1980s. He is a good example of the young energetic teachers who began teaching at Waite after many of the long-serving veteran teachers retired. Mr. Kish also later became a counselor at Waite.



**CAROL SWEET**, another long-tenured Waite teacher, is instructing one of her German classes in this photo from *The Years of the Indian*.



**BOB TARPCHINOFF**, holding some unknown object in this picture, had an outgoing personality, coached basketball, and had a long teaching career at Waite.



## LONG-TENURED WAITE TEACHERS

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THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF THOSE TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS WHO SERVED TWENTY OR MORE YEARS ON STAFF AT WAITE. \*AN ASTERISK INDICATES A WAITE GRADUATE.

Matilda Adams

Richard Allen

David Alvarado\*

Karen Ardner

Kate Argow

Walter Baird

Gary Bauman

Lois Bellville\*

Marjorie Blanton

Russ Bless\*

Fon Boerger

William Brenner\*

Marjorie Brown

Richard Buchholz

Judy Bullock

Edythe Bumgardner\*

Neil Burson\*

Victoria Canfield

Mary Cannon

James Carlisle

Flora Carpenter

Milton Carswell\*

Ric Cervantes

Fred Clement

Anna Commager

Eugene Conger

Philip Conser

Steve Contos\*

Maxine Cosgray

Mildred Cowell

Charles Delker

Mary Dietrich

Clark Dimler

Carol Doherty

Claire Dunn\*

Sally Dunn\*

James Ellinger

Richard Evans

Debra Eversman

Fred Fails

Delia Fortune

Robert Genzman\*

Dorothy Gerding

Helen Gilbert\*

Josephine Goodall

Marguerite Griffith

Clarence Gump

Tom Hall

Brenda Hannan

Geneva Harrell

Donald Haxton

Kevin Horn\*

Karen Horvath

Betty Hueter

Gabe Iwanoff

Dorothy Johnson

Don Kinney

Dennis Kish

Daniel Kitz

Fred Klag\*

Tom Klockowski

George Konnert

Chet LaBuda

Jerry Lambdin

Marian Larkin

Chet LaBuda

Jerry Lambdin

Marian Larkin



Roscoe Leach  
Bob Lengel\*  
Helen Lyman  
Janet Lyne

Walter Mall  
Dan Marazon\*  
Melissa Marcus  
Kristie Markwood  
Nancy Martin  
Frederick Mathias  
Valada McClellan  
Harvey McGrew  
Arthur Mills  
William Moffatt  
Mary Morales\*  
Luke Murphy\*

Alice Nauts\*  
Diane Nebb  
Ron Nichoson\*  
William Nopper\*

Jack O'Connell  
Sue O'Connell  
Mildred Osborne\*

Dorothy Packer  
Frank Pauly\*  
George Pearsall  
Jeanne Petrosini  
Patricia Petryk  
Pete Price

Bryan Reamsnyder\*  
Kris Veronie Reder\*  
Florence Rees  
Diane Rich  
Lester Rideout\*  
Ann Rochte  
Steve Rohlfing  
Michael Romanowicz  
Ken Rossler

Tom Rychlewski  
Lee Rynder

Jean Sack  
Charles Smith  
Tom Sorosiak  
Grace Spayd  
Jesse Steiner  
Carol Sweet

Robert Tarpchinoff  
Leona Thoma  
Christian Thompson\*  
John Tischinae  
Connie Tolson  
Thomas Truckor  
Arthur Turby

Robert Utter

Sarah Waite  
Nelle Wales  
Richard Wallace  
Kenneth Ward  
Jerry Wasserman\*  
Jim Wasserman\*  
Mark Welker\*  
Maud Werner  
John Wheeler  
Leonard Wilhelm  
Milton Williams  
Norma Wintermantel  
Gary Wirzylo  
Hobart Witte  
Jeannette Woggerman

Carolyn Yenrick  
David Yenrick\*  
Alvin Youngquist

David Zbinden



## WAITE SUPPORT STAFF

Over the years, Waite has been fortunate to have so many other staff members who have shown their loyalty and dedication by their long service to the school. Office, custodial, and other staff positions require many hours of detailed and demanding work. They are often the faces that first welcome visitors into the building. Below are pictured some Waite staff members from The Years of the Indian memorial book.

More recently, other excellent staff members include long-serving school nurse and Waite graduate **Laura Fuehrer**; recently retired office personnel **Terry Snider** and **Tracy Hubartt**; current secretaries **Hazel Munding**, **Diana Ball**, and **Merry Taylor**; and cashier **Pamela Engelhardt**.



Orla Mitchell, June Wintermantel, and Carol Walker — dedicated staff.



Waite graduates — Helen Enderlin, Bonnie Lohmeyer, Sally Moreno, and Betty Narges.



Head Clerk Bernadette Church works with the record of a student with Dorothy Ball Doosler.



Principal Lew Cross congratulates Leo Bruzda. Leo was one of our most beloved custodians who had kind words and a helpful approach toward all of us.



# STUDENTS

## *“The Reason for the Past 100 Years”*

### INTRODUCTION

**W**aite students have always had the opportunity for both an excellent academic education, as well as a wide variety of extra-curricular activities for the development of their other talents. Academically, throughout its first century, Waite has held to a core curriculum of English, math, science, and history to prepare students for higher education and for life.

With the prosperous 1920s, dramatic changes occurred in the American educational system. High school attendance, once available only to a relative few, became the norm rather than the exception. Two popular notions, compulsory attendance and the comprehensive high school, became more wide spread. Not long after Scott and Waite opened, Toledo saw the building of Libbey (1922-23), Woodward (1928), DeVilbiss (1931), and then Macomber (1938). The comprehensive high school embraced both college preparatory and general curriculum classes. Industrial courses, along with commercial and practical areas such as radio, also became popular. Some of the ways curriculum has developed to meet the needs of students as education has become increasingly important in the modern world are illustrated in the following pages.

As times have changed and society has changed, Waite students have also changed, but what remains is the need for a solid education to enrich the life of the whole person as well as to teach the skills necessary to work and to live now in the 21st century. Waite continues to emphasize that character counts while also educating and training students for future careers. Some of the pictures included in this section show how students have engaged in a wide variety of academic pursuits over the years.



**WHO WOULD LOCK THESE LADIES OUT OF THE BUILDING? FRESHMEN GIRLS, 1923.**

This view southeast toward Morrison Drive shows the football stadium still in the bowl. Faded in the distance are Sacred Heart Catholic Church and its 1889 school building before modern changes.



**JANUARY 1915  
GRADUATES.**

Left to Right:  
Demeter Colchagoff,  
Audrey McCullough,  
Charlotte Crabb,  
Zera Strong,  
and Nellie Hopkins.



Though five students graduated in January 1915, Demeter Colchagoff is considered to be the first graduate of Waite High School. He entered Waite when it opened in September 1914 as a senior, one semester from graduation, having first attended Old Central High downtown. A native of Bulgaria, he was one of many immigrants from that country, then a part of Turkey, who settled in East Toledo before World War I. He lived close to the school with his sister at 126 Worthington Street.

In the course of enrolling him in school, Mr. Gayman, Waite's principal, noticed Demeter's name was written Dimiter Kochagov. Mr. Gayman said, "Young man, you haven't written your name correctly. You should write it Demeter Colchagoff." As a newly arrived immigrant, he felt he could not challenge the principal of a high school, and so from that time his name became Demeter Colchagoff. Through the years he achieved much success, and eventually served as Lucas County Treasurer.

He was very proud of the title "first Waite graduate," and spoke to many civic groups over the years. He returned to Waite during the school's 60th anniversary celebration where he received a 1974 diploma from principal Lewis Cross to replace his long lost original diploma. A picture of him appears with 1975 honor graduate Nancy Bagamery in the December 7, 1974, issue of *The Sizzle*.

He remained a long-time East Side resident and had four children who graduated from Waite: George ('36), a former Air Force Colonel; May Ellen ('44), a local TV personality; Bob ('42), an engineer for Owens Illinois; and Nancy ('44), a commercial artist in New York City. Mr. Colchagoff passed away in 1981 at the age of 89.

In addition to being a great story, Mr. Colchagoff's tale illustrates the strength of East Toledo's early Bulgarian community that produced such stalwart citizens, Waite graduates, and Distinguished Alumni such as Chris Christoff, accountant Victor Kissoff, teacher Carole Kiroff, and Judge George Kiroff.



**SIZZLE PHOTO OF MR. COLCHAGOFF, 1974.**



THE PERSON  
WHOSE SIGNATURE  
AND PHOTOGRAPH  
APPEARS HEREON  
AGREES TO AND IS  
BOUND BY THE TERMS  
AND CONDITIONS  
PRINTED ON THE  
BACK HEREOF.

WAITE STUDENTS  
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**1948**  
IDENTIFICATION  
**1949**  
CARD

GRADE 9 AGE 14

*Janet Crane*  
SIGNATURE OF STUDENT IN INK. DO NOT PRINT.

SHOW YOUR I.D.  
FRESHMAN IDENTIFICATION CARD,  
JANET CRANE, 1948-1949.  
Courtesy of Jan Crane Barley.

### GOOD GRADES. REPORT CARD OF JANET CRANE, JUNE 1951.

By the end of her junior year, Ms. Crane had taken four algebra, six English, two chemistry, and two history classes, as well as classes in her journalism specialty.  
Courtesy of Jan Crane Barley.

NAME Crane Janet ADVISER 116  
REPORT CARD NAME HIGH SCHOOL  
Semester ending JUN 1951 Class 11 Study Room

SUBJECT	1st Qr.	2nd Qr.	EX.	AV.	PARENT'S SIGNATURE
<i>Algebra II</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>A. H. Crane</i>
<i>English II</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	
<i>Chemistry II</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	
<i>Journalism II</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>a</i>	
<i>Am. History II</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	<i>a</i>	
<i>B. S. I</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>C</i>	<i>B</i>	

PHYSICAL EDUCATION C

4-B. H. B. THIS CARD IS TO BE RETURNED THE MORNING FOLLOWING ISSUE.

A--Excellent  
B--Very Good  
C--Average  
D--Below Average but passing  
F--Failure

### Household Arts

Foods..... Miss Stoll 303  
Fine Arts..... {Miss Carpenter 203 B  
                              {Mrs. Nauts 203  
Textiles and Clothing..... Miss Wales 314  
Advanced Clothing..... Mrs. Werner

### Industrial Arts

Mechanical and Architectural Drawing..... Mr. Youngquist 306  
Mechanical Drawing..... Mr. C. Collins 309  
House Construction.....  
Pattern Making..... Mr. Sterling 101  
Cabinet Making.....  
Joinery..... Mr. Baird 105  
Machine Shop..... Mr. Cummings 102  
Auto Mechanics..... Mr. Osborne 106  
Radio..... Mr. Foley 404

### English

Miss Spayd..... 206 Miss Burns..... 220  
Miss Newbirt..... 201 Miss Hart..... 222  
Miss Roache..... 208 Miss Rees..... 218  
Miss Nelson..... 335 Mrs. Hall..... 308A  
Mrs. Allen..... 215 Miss Pasch..... 206  
Miss Cowell..... 207 Miss Hirth..... 209  
Mr. Lutz..... 211

### Mathematics

Mr. Mathias..... 216 Miss Parks..... 213  
Miss Waite..... 213 Mrs. Fortune..... 317  
Miss Garver..... 307 Mr. Stuart..... 112  
Miss Tobin..... 213

### Social Science

Miss Kimble..... 122 Mr. Combs..... 117  
Mr. Leach..... 120 Miss Marine..... 120A  
Mr. Steiner..... 235A Miss Morgan..... 218A  
Mr. J. Collins..... 235A Miss Sivers..... 112A

### Foreign Languages

Latin..... {Miss Gibson..... 325  
                              {Miss Boerger..... 323  
French..... {Miss Griffith..... 227  
                              {Miss Butler..... 227  
Spanish..... {Miss Baumgardner..... 229  
                              {Miss Jackson..... 229

### Science

Mr. Klag..... 131 Miss Pfaffenbach..... 329  
Mr. Archambo..... 133 Mr. Rock..... 237  
Miss Howard..... 333 Miss Young..... 231  
Mr. Rohlfing..... 331 Mrs. Shawen..... 327  
Mrs. Canfield..... 127 Mr. Mills..... 235  
Miss Goodall..... 129 Miss Druggan..... 233

### Commercial Department

Mr. Severance..... 315 Miss Pearsall..... 305  
Miss Foote..... 124 Mr. Moffatt..... 110  
Miss Adams..... 123 Mr. Bricker..... 403  
Miss Commager..... 108 Mr. Fankhauser..... 308  
Mr. Jaeger..... 107

### Special

Miss Kahnweiler..... 221 Mr. Ball..... 205  
Mr. Miller..... 205 Mr. Sutphen Refectory  
Miss Gerding..... 113 Miss Werum..... 205

NOTE--Rooms numbered 100 are on the first floor; 200 on the second floor; and 300 on the third floor.

### LOOKS LIKE A DIFFICULT SCHEDULE. WAITE CURRICULUM, 1930.

This list of departments and teachers shows the strength of Waite's core curriculum as the school entered its third decade in the 1930s. There are 13 English and 12 Science teachers, a total of 25 teachers in just two departments. Also, notice the number of Industrial Arts and Household Arts departments, classes that offered practical job skills to both men and women.



**HERE WE ARE, BOYS. EAST ENTRANCE, 1949.**

These girls are posing along the stone railing of the northeast entrance of the school. Fortunately, teacher Milton Williams, far left, was there to keep an eye on things. As Mr. Williams was the advisor of Future Teachers in 1949, perhaps these young ladies were members of that club.



M. S. Williams, Patsy Harrison, Barbara Uhler, Nellie McAtee, Lucille Moriarty, Dora Bylow, Ruth Umbs, Marilyn McEwen, Elaine Bylow, Goldie Bonis, Deloris Sawade.



**A SUNNY DAY AT WAITE HIGH SCHOOL. EAST ENTRANCE, 1941.**

Another view of the same entrance shows students congregating outside on a warm day, probably around lunch time, judging from the angle of their shadows. Note the World War II clothing styles, as well as the 1910 design in the upper left corner of the entry arch (see page 9). The girls here are smiling, and the boys are no doubt just trying to look cool.





***I WOULD LIKE SIX NOTEBOOKS, PLEASE. SUPPLY WINDOW, NORTH STAIRWELL, 1ST FLOOR, 1934.***

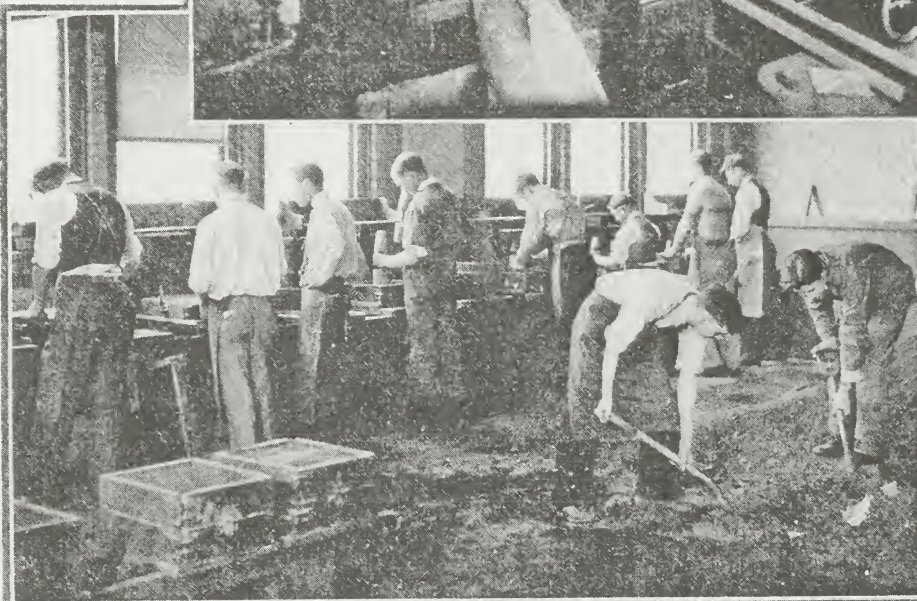
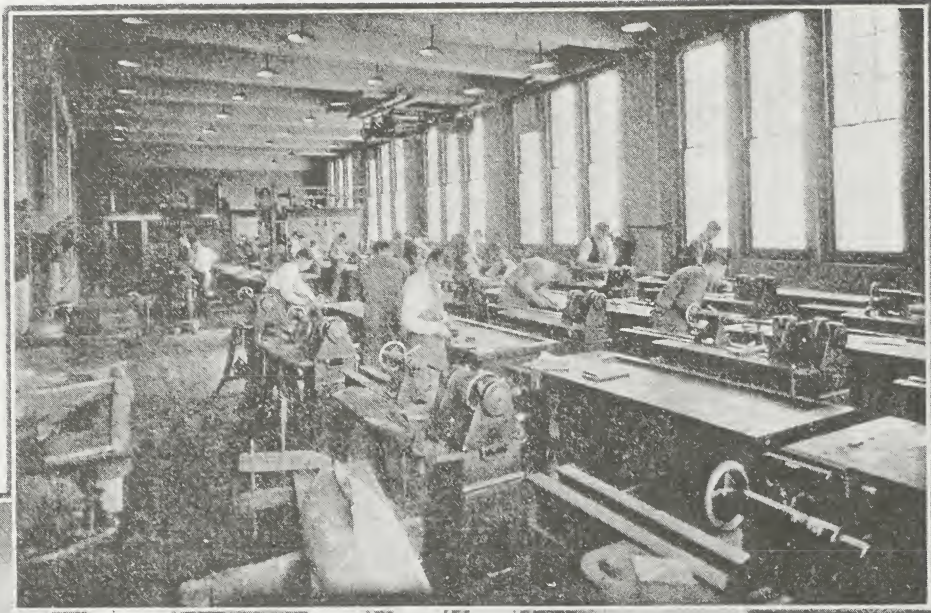
Now just a storage closet, the old supply room still exists, and was open on a recent alumni tour of the school. It once was a convenient place for students to purchase their school supplies.



***HAVE ANY WITE-OUT? TYPING CLASS, 1979.***

Not long before the dawn of the computer age, students are seen here practicing their typing skills on rather streamlined modern typewriters. Clark Dimler taught typing and shorthand for many years, skills that are still very useful.





**SWEAT SHOPS & CHILD LABOR?  
INDUSTRIAL ARTS CLASSES, 1926.**

Due to Toledo's strong industrial base, there was a demand for skills that would be useful in the city's many factories. These pictures show wood turning, pattern making, and metal casting. The casting area had a dirt floor that was later covered with wood, and during the recent renovations was discovered to be full of termites. Fine arts classes will now occupy this area of the school.

*Training in Wood Turning, Pattern Making, Molding, and Casting in Metal, an essential part of the metal trades and industries, is given in well equipped shops. Instructor—Mr. Carl Sterling.*



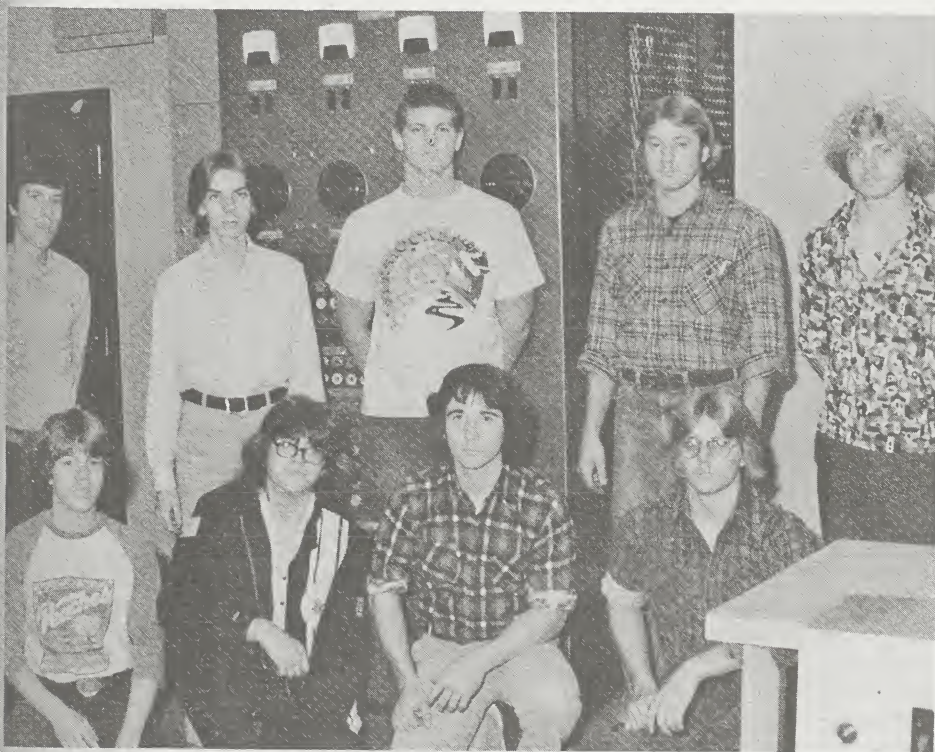




Row 1: John Seiler, Dave Henninger, Sam Almanza. Row 2: Ted Hofbauer, Tim Ello, Victor Bolla, Chuck Rapp, Bob Zipper, Wendell Wheaton, Leonard Hicks, Ed Dixon, Mike Shoemaker. Row 3: Brian Washington, Rick Foldvery, Bob Swartz, Mark Lechlak, Kevin Brashear, Holly Herman, John Watson. Row 4: Pete Richie, Tony Ramirez, Tom Smith, Tom Eckert.

**WHERE'S THE PLUG?  
ELECTRICAL CONSTRUCTION  
STUDENTS, 1979.**

The students pictured here are learning about the electrical trades, among the many skill classes helpful to all students interested in taking them. These yearbook photos appeared only a couple years after the large Skill Center was added to the west side of the school.



Row 1: Jerry Czajka, Randy Butz, Roger Ulrich, Larry Fish. Row 2: Bob Rosenbrook, Jeff Stalmaker, John Knuth, James Skowronski, Douglas Richie.



**ART CLASS,  
MID-20TH CENTURY.**

Dorothy Packer was a long-tenured art teacher at Waite, helping generations of students to develop their artistic abilities in many different mediums.



*Al is hep(ler) with the brush.*

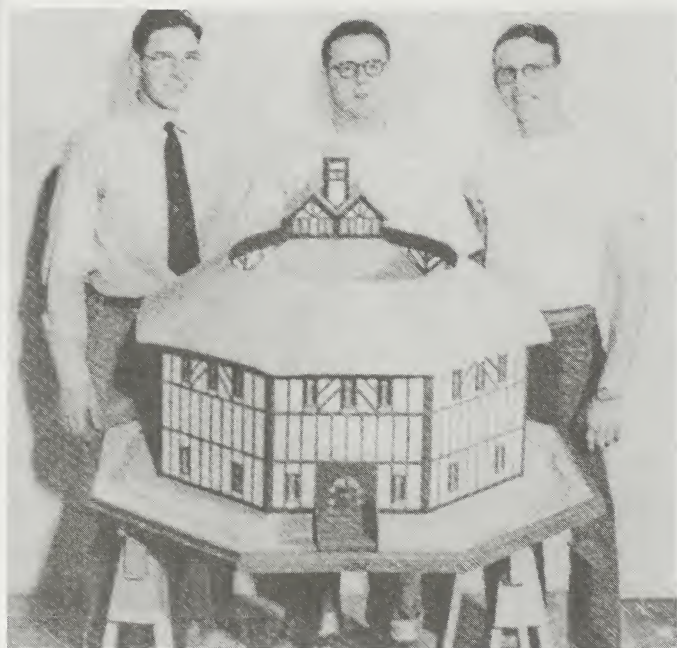


**LIKE PULLING TEETH. ART MURAL, 1945.**

The artistic ability of Waite students is still on display in the many well-preserved murals found throughout the school. Here Al "Hep" Hepler is seen touching up a sports mural in this 1945 yearbook photo.

**THE PLAY'S THE THING.  
GLOBE THEATER MODEL, 1950.**

Shakespeare would be proud and amazed these three art students would spend such labor on this detailed reproduction of his famous London theater more than three centuries after his death. In its time, during the early 1600s, the Globe was a very modern and popular theater for performing plays in the round.







Left to right: ROW 1: A. Strong, B. Granger, B. Brancheau. ROW 2: C. King, M. A. Lohner, C. Brunner, D. Gena, L. Jones, L. Nagy, D. Dean.

**READY TO REPORT. SIZZLE STAFF, 1969.**

Before Watergate and the 24-hour news cycle, these students were members of The Sizzle journalism staff. Working on the Retina, Sizzle, and yearbook staffs provided Waite students the opportunity to develop literary, reporting, and editorial skills.

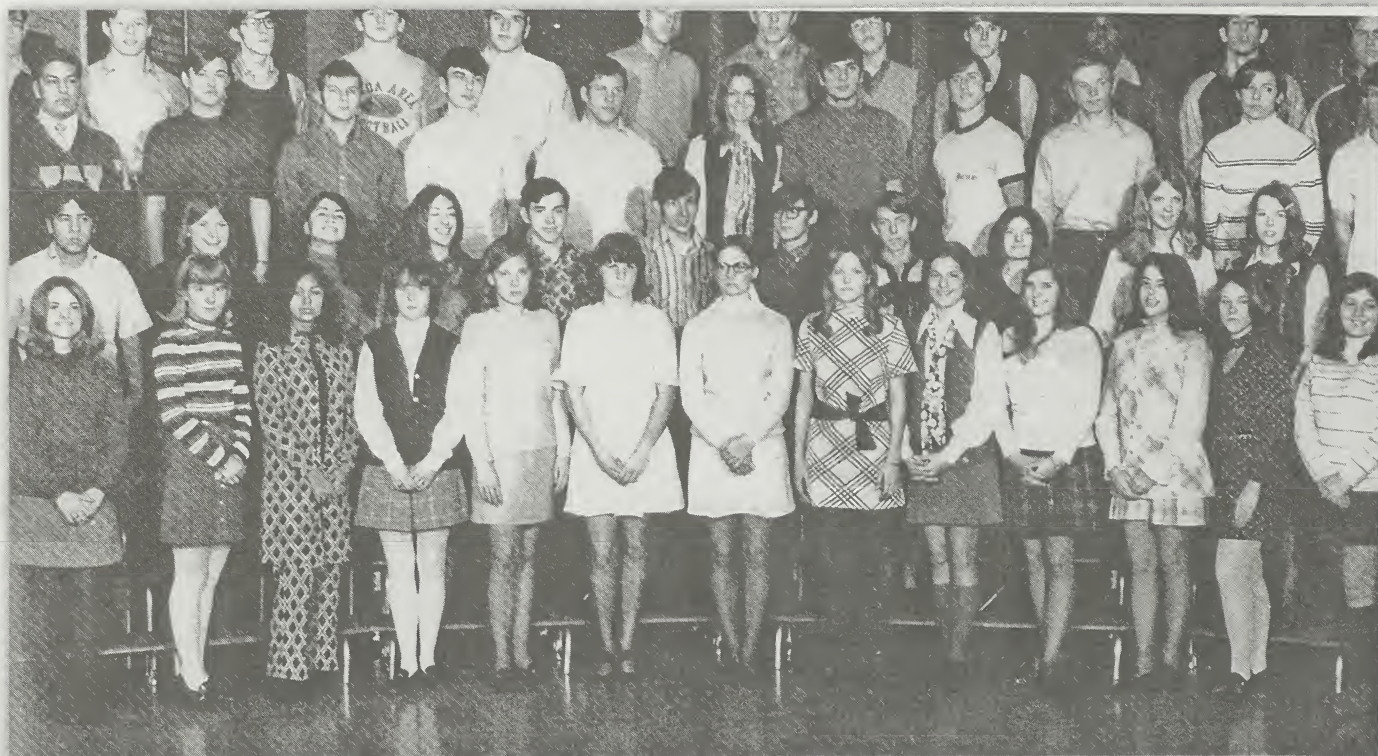


**HAVE I GOT A DEAL FOR YOU. MERCHANDISING STUDENTS, 1979.**

A portion of the D.E.C.A. mall, shown here in its third year. The program gave students the chance to set up and run a small business, taking responsibility for its operation. Merchandising and advertising ventures like this were open to juniors and seniors interested in careers in marketing and retailing.

Danny Clayton, Tony Casey, Leo Colon, Mr. Tarpchinoff, Carol Eades, Russ McKay, Carol Zeisler, Nathaniel Del Toro, Betsy Bucher.





**ROW 1:** Janis McKeone, Karen Warns, Diane Weaver, Helen Gibbons, Tina Grimm, Vanesa Crook, Nancy Basden, Shirley Branstutter, Dinae Birtalan, Sandy Warns, Barb Rubinstein, Janet Sigler, Mona Leos. **ROW 2:** Albert Delgado, Kathie Koren, Mary Silva, Irene Kountouris, Dave Dunaway, Marty Carlo, Byron DeLong, Richard Studyvin, Cathy Avery, Deb Yard, Jacki Baumgartner. **ROW 3:** Benny Perales, Dan Spradlin, Ray Adkins, Frack Legeza, Bill Spetz, Karen Watkins, Joe Guerrero, Mark Wineland, Mike McGee, Jeff Juhasz, Rick Jurski. **ROW 4:** Raymond King, John Lohner, Jan Kralovic, Jeff Bair, Dave Hathaway, Ron Earls, Pat Donley, Dean Wilson, Bob Haas, Sandy Warren, Rollie Maze, Bob Sturgill.

### ***DID TEACHERS NEED THIS MUCH HELP? FACULTY AIDS, 1971.***

Students interested in academic careers or who perhaps just wanted to be helpful could serve as faculty aids. This picture illustrates how rapidly student attire was changing from only a few years before in the mid-1960s. Flamboyant 1970s styles are appearing, along with the first few pantsuits and slacks for girls.



### ***GOOD CITIZENS. COSGRAY AWARD SILVER MEDALISTS, 1988.***

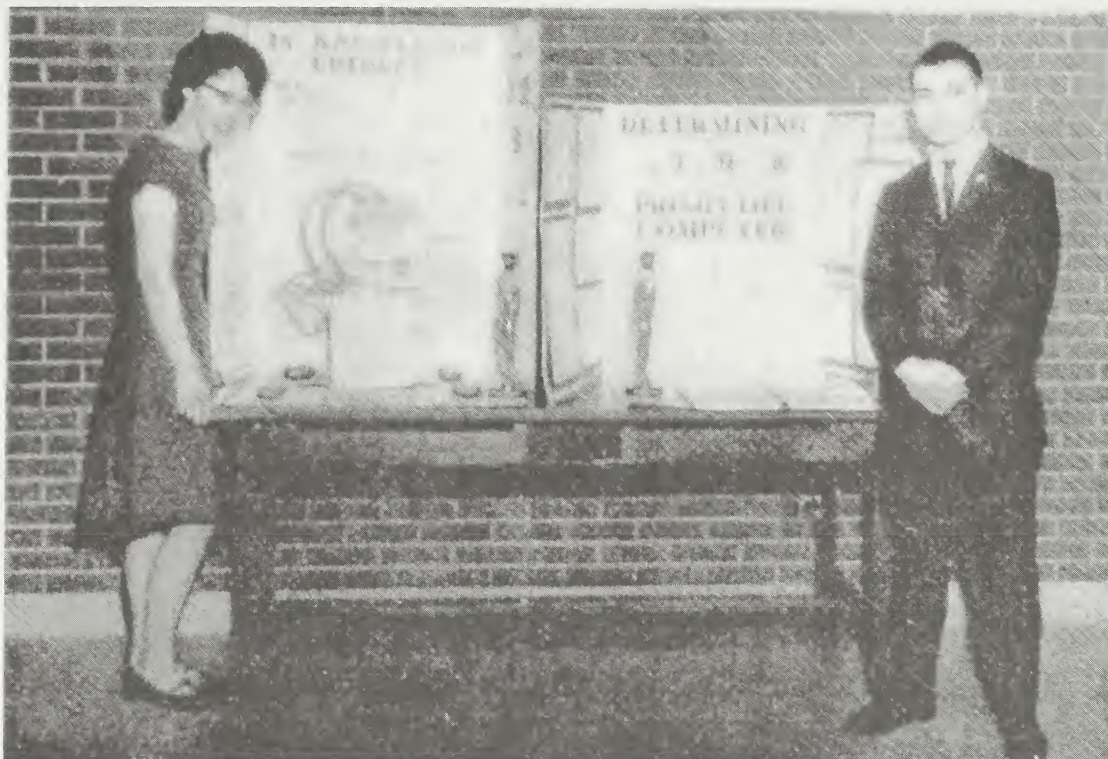
One of Waite's most respected honors, the Citizenship Award was named for beloved teacher, Maxine Cosgray, and exemplifies her qualities of leadership, duty, and service to Waite High School and its community.





**DO YOU WANT TO BE A MILLIONAIRE? WAITE QUIZ TEAM, 1983**

Another academic honor was to be a member of the Quiz Team that competed on television against other Toledo area high schools. Jim Lorenzen was the captain of this 1983 team.



**SHERYL HOWARD & ART LONG. SCIENCE FAIR PROJECTS, 1964.**

Many outstanding Science Fair projects were created by Waite students over the years. Those who achieved a superior rating received "Indies," a tall statue of an Indian made from several pounds of bronze.



## Thumbs Up to The Best of the Best



The Top Ten Seniors' Grade Point Averages in order are;

Joe Kubasek, 4.3025;  
Dawn Stribrny, 4.1803;  
Wayne Moreland, 4.0577;  
Sharon Hensley, 3.9167;  
Debbie Hilker, 3.8822;  
Gary Thompson, 3.8671  
Beth Schwartz, 3.8135;  
Charlene Howell, 3.7671;  
Greg Evans, 3.7215; and  
Tana Wagner, 3.6691

### **MAKING THE TOP 9. SENIORS WITH THE HIGHEST GRADE POINT AVERAGES, 1988.**

It is a tradition to honor the Top-10 students in each class at Waite, especially the seniors with the highest four-year grade point averages. In addition, Waite has awarded the top students an amazing number of scholarships through the years, many made possible through the generosity of alumni. Oddly, only nine students appear in this Top-10 photograph.





Nicholas Menke, Jessica Tagle, April Montgomery, Traci Curns, Allison Walters, Julie Busdicker, Rocco Stella, Wendy Wood, Joshua Huss, Whitney Kirk, Janice Dingess, Michael Medlen, Bryan Haines, Steven Hagemann, Nicholas Duty, Shanita Babb, Jessica Taylor, Bobby Holdren, Jamie Cummins, Wilfredo Nunez, Juan Garcia, Steffani Henegar, Ashley Brown, Ashley Hoffbauer, Malissa Eicher, Kimberly Craig, Heather Fournier, Christina Gonzales, Mrs. Shardt, Brittany Burke, Jennifer Gocsik, Brittany Garofus, Gennett McCarver, Sierra Esquivel, Tonya Leu, Crystal Dantzer, Kelly Morris, Becky Tye, India Vassar, Matthew Williams, Ronnie Spann, Alicia Guerra, Anna Lengel, Jessica Rocker, Desiree White, Mary Wolff, Stephanie Ilia, Nikki Wohlgamuth. **2003 NHS INDUCTION**

#### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY STUDENTS, 2003.

Waite's chapter of the National Honor Society was formed in the 1931-1932 school year. Being selected a member of the National Honor Society is a distinction that follows a person throughout his or her life. The students shown here in 2003 are a part of that privileged number.

#### NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS.

This national program began during the 1955-1956 school year, and Waite is proud to have had several National Merit Scholarship winners since then. These students have achieved one of the highest academic awards in the nation.



National Merit Scholarship Winners — Top: Nancy Bagamery ('75), Robert Coombs ('70), Robert Kurucz ('62). Bottom: Lynn Nolte ('73), Robert Pierce ('70), Barry Smith ('78).





ETHEL BELLE GLADIEUX—*Manual Training*

*"Be glad and your friends are many."*

HAROLD GOATE—*General Forum '21 - '22.*

*"What's in a Name?"*

ROSINA GOULD—*Elective Glee Club.*

*"As happy as she is wise."*

DONALD GREINER—*Elective Dramatic Art Club, Vice President; "Lost Silk Hat"; "The Pot Boiler."*

*"Hold the Fort, I'm coming!"*

ADELE HABIE—*Long Commercial Advanced Gym Class.*

*"If you have knowledge, let others light their candle by it."*

LESTER HAMMOND—*Elective Radio Club '20; English VIII Club '22.*

*"He trembled when a maiden drew near."*

MARY HAMMOND—*Manual Training*

*"Beautiful with her beauty, And rich with the wealth of her being."*

MARIE HARMON—*Elective*

*"Cheerfulness is an excellent wearing quality."*

CORNELIA H. HARPSTER—*Elective Zetaethan, Chaplain '21; Secretary '22; Le Cercle Francais, President; Secretary, Senior Class; Dramatic Art Club; English VIII Club.*

*"Par excellence in studies."*

DURWARD HARTMAN—*Elective*

*Foot Ball Reserves '21; Base Ball; Tennis Club; English VIII Club; Glee Club.*

*"It is a great plague to be too handsome a man."*

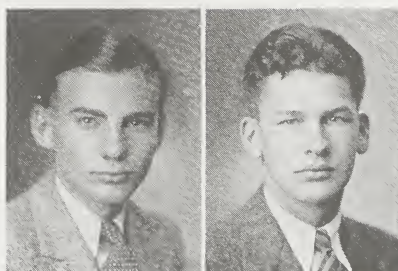
#### WAITE STUDENTS, CLASS OF 1922.

This and the following pages highlight a sampling of students over the decades at Waite High School. Notice the changes in hair styles and clothing that have occurred. Cornelia Harpster (lower right), who lived to be over 100, is the grandmother of principal David Yenrick.



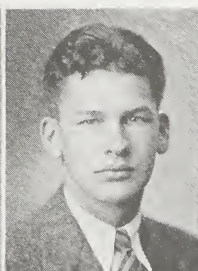
CLIFFORD H. BURR

*C*-limbing to great  
*H*-ights in the  
*B*-usiness world.  
Commercial Course  
Commercial Club



JACK H. CHETISTER

*J*-unior girls  
*H*-ave an effect on this  
*C*-lub president.  
General Course  
Quill & Dagger, Pres.  
Student Council  
Senior Class, Serg. at Arms



LEONA M. BUTLER

*L*-eona can  
*M*-ake any old  
*B*-uggy travel.  
Academic Course  
Zeta Ithean  
Senior Friendship Club  
Optimates



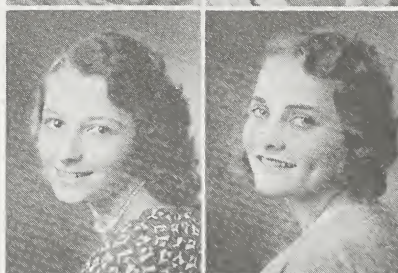
VIVIAN F. CHETISTER

*V*-ivian is one of the  
*F*-ew who will always  
*C*-ling to our memory.  
Commercial Course  
Commercial Club, V. Pres.



ESTHER A. CARL

*E*-sther is an  
*A*-greeable, quiet,  
*C*-apable person.  
General Course  
Scarabs

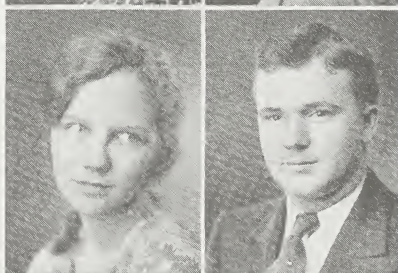


VIRGINIA M. CLARK  
*V*-irginia surely can get  
*M*-ileage out of her  
*C*-hewing gum!  
Commercial Course

*Virginia*

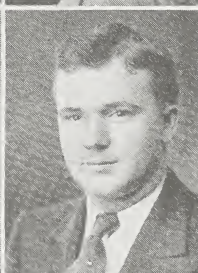
VICTORIA A. CARPENTER

*V*-ictoria will soon be  
*A* master of her  
*C*-ello.  
General Course  
Orchestra  
Sr. Friendship Club  
Retina Staff, Managing Editor



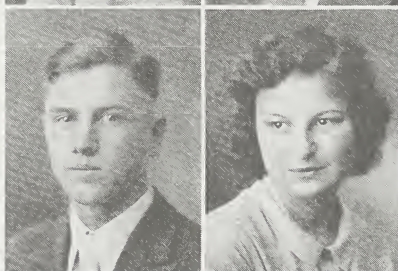
HARRY A. COINE

*H*-as  
*A* habit of  
*C*-oming late.  
General Course  
Glee Club



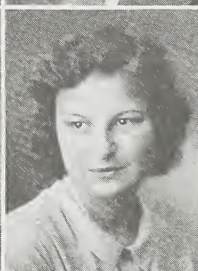
RUSSELL R. CARR

*R*-uss is  
*R*-ight in most  
*C*-ases.  
General Course



JANET W. CONEY

*J*-anet could  
*W*-ell be called a  
*C*-omplexion queen.  
Academic Course  
Spanish Club  
Retina  
Sr. Friendship Club



1932

### WAITE STUDENTS, CLASS OF 1932.

Descriptions of the students are clever anagrams of each person's initials. Harry Coine was the husband of long-time Navarre School teacher Estella Coine.



MARJORIE SCHULTZ—Jr. Friendship Club.  
BEATRICE SCHWEIKERT.  
BETTY SEEWALD.

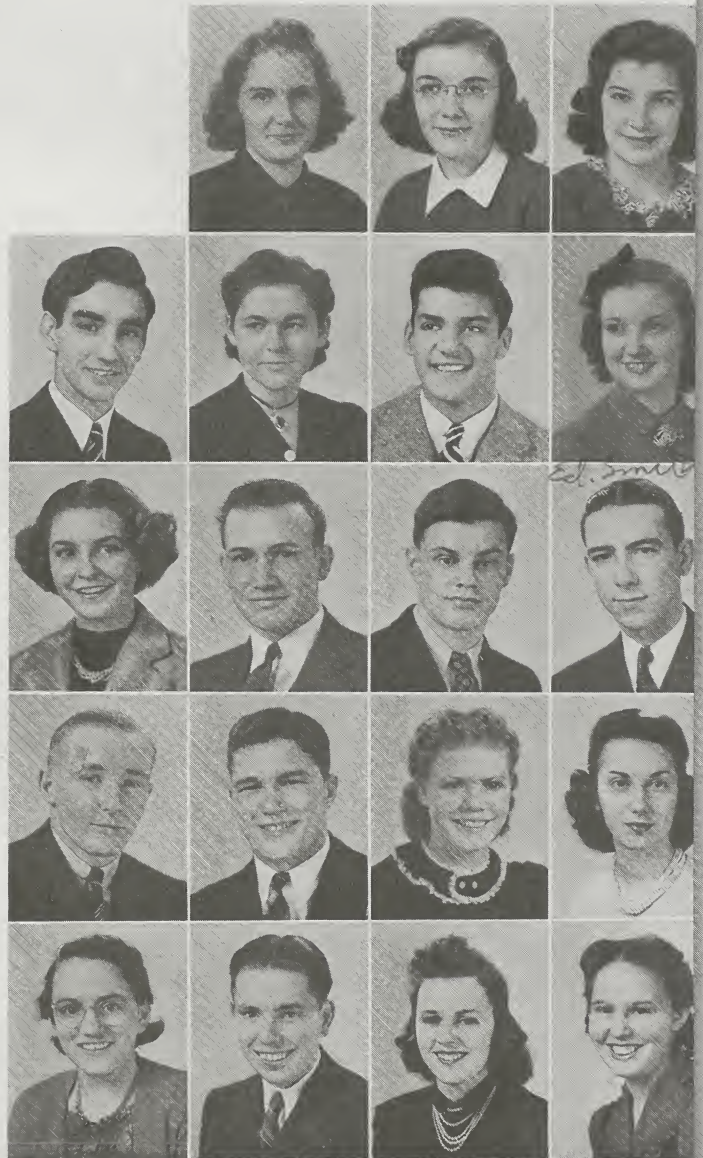
## Class of 1941

PRICE SEFERIAN—Q.D., Treasurer; Art Club.  
RUTH SHANTEAU—Spanish Club.  
LOUIS SHARKOFF—Football, "W" Club, Basketball, Q.D., Sr. Hi-Y,  
Jr. Class, Pres.; Golf, Orchestra, Track.  
MERILYN SHAW—Home Economics Club.

PAULINE SHENDRICK—Art Club.  
GLENN A. SHINN—Glee Club.  
MAX SIX—Boxing.  
EDWARD SMITH—Engineers, V. Pres.; Q. D.

GEORGE SMITHERS—Wrestling, Football, "W"  
Club.  
HERBERT SNIDER—Reserve and Varsity Football,  
Wrestling, Basketball, "W" Club.  
JEANNE SNYDER—Jr. and Sr. Friendship Club,  
Home Economics, Athletic League, Girl's  
"W" Club, Zet, Nurse's Assistant.  
ELLEN SOMMERS—Jr. and Sr. Friendship Club,  
French Club, Student Council, National  
Honor Society; Zet, Sec.; Jr. Class, V. Pres.

MAXINE SORGE.  
WAYNE A. SORGE—Amateur Radio Station,  
W8SWL, Hall Patrol.  
CAROL SOUTHWARD.  
BIRDIE SPADE.



### WAITE STUDENTS, CLASS OF 1941.

Several of these young men would serve their country during World War II, and three of them pictured here would not return home.



Row 1—Dorothy Kovax, Pat Leonard, Shirley McEwen, Alice McFarland, Shirley Malone, Sherron MacDowell

Row 2—Ruth Matthews, Nancy Lowe, Angela Mattoni, Clauditte Mallien, Elaine Maher, Joan McMally

Row 3—Barbara Meszaros, Thomas Lancy, Ralph Leistner, James Meis, Robert MacDowell, Dorothy Mack

Row 4—Ouida Matthews, LeRoy Kusian, Jim Jaros, Billy Kyser, Josephine Mann

Row 5—Jim McCarty, John Lorenzen, Willis Mauter, Dick Marleau, Bill Meier, Charles Korotnaji



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Row 3—Margaret Molnar, Lila Miller, Nancy Nagy, Irene Moody, Rusty Norcross, Bonnie Mullen, Barbara Mitchell.

Row 4—Phillip Huffman, Gordon Nunamaker, Robert Peterson, Don Mihalko, Robert Rennar, Dianne Morford.

Row 5—Tom Reiter, Bob Galuzny, Charles Murray, Dave Stoddard, Clarence Rice, Andy Pocse, Franklyn Olmstead.



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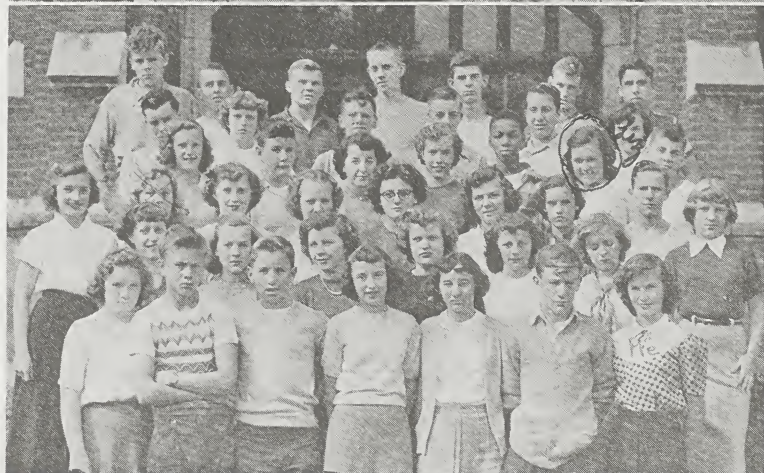
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Row 5—Jim Steedman, Kathryn Peppard, Gary Schimmel, Gerald Rust, James Roberts, Elizabeth Petersen.

Row 6—Kenneth Hodges, Sam Schaeffer, Raymond Seppeler, Bill Schomaker, Charles Rothlisberger, Bob Sreptock, Donald Saul.



## *Sophomores*

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### WAITE SOPHOMORES, 1950.

Mid-century yearbooks show the underclass students in group photos, as in these pictures of some Waite sophomores in 1950. In the bottom picture, fourth row, second from right, stands Gloria Steinem, future feminist who transferred from Waite after her junior year.



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Janet  
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James  
Segura

Cathy  
Shaffer

Charles  
Shaner

Sharion  
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Willard  
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Judith  
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Robert  
Shrader

Nicholas  
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Marcia  
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Diane  
Singlar

Ellen  
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Karen  
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Sherrell  
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Tonia  
Smothers

Victoria  
Snider

Terry  
Stanford

Delores  
Stegall

James  
Stewart

Claudia  
Stine

Frances  
Stockmaster

Dale  
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Diane  
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Stephen  
Studer

Vicky  
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Robert  
Szymanski

Joanne  
Takas

Carl  
Temple

Rebecca  
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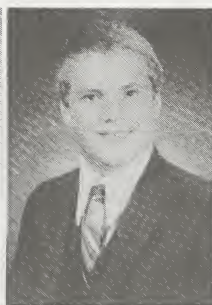
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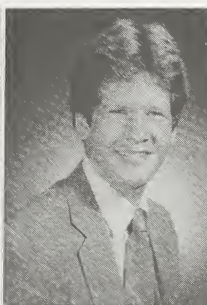
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WAITE JUNIORS, 1969.





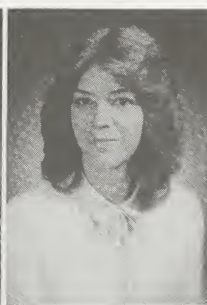
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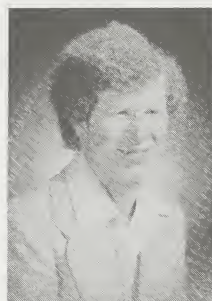
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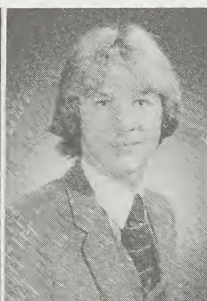
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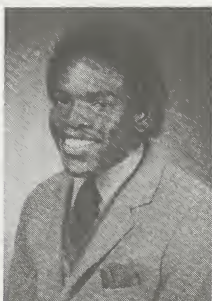
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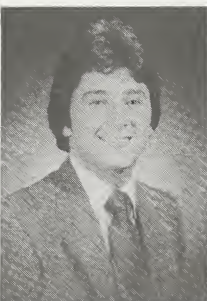
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WAITE SENIORS FROM THE CLASS OF 1983.





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*Jamie Romero*



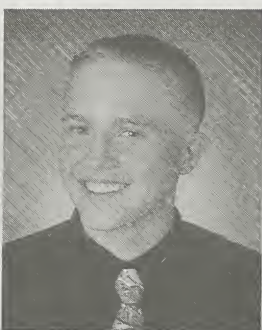
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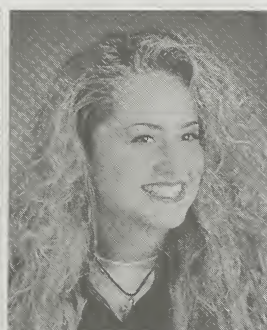
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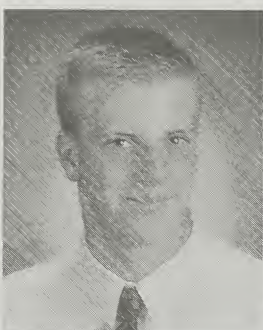
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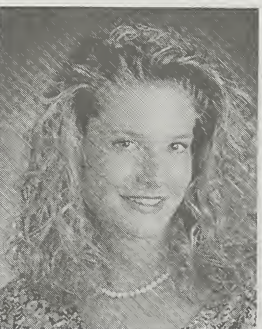
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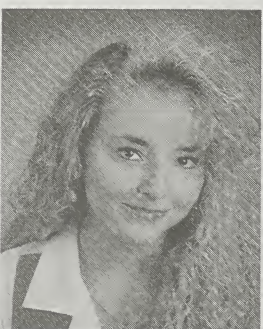
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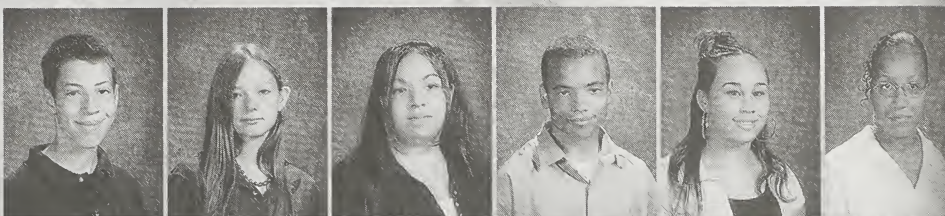


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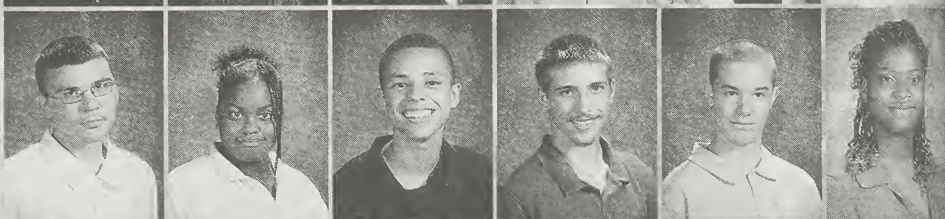
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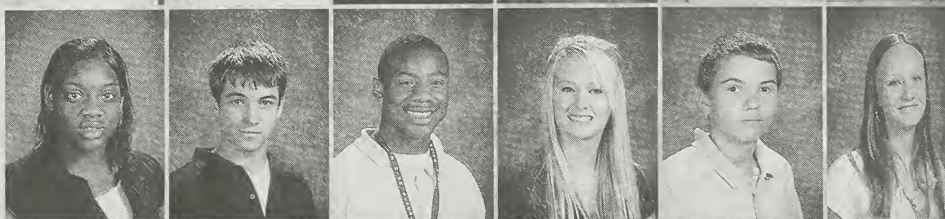
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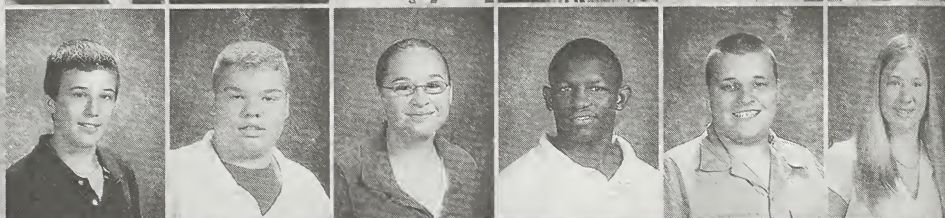
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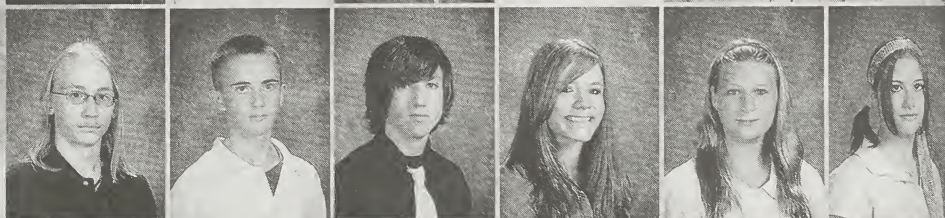
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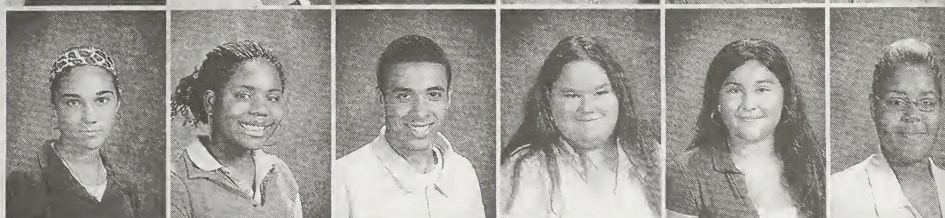
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Tori Liner  
Michael Lohmeyer  
Brant Loughner



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WAITE CLASS OF 2011, PICTURED HERE AS FRESHMEN IN 2008.



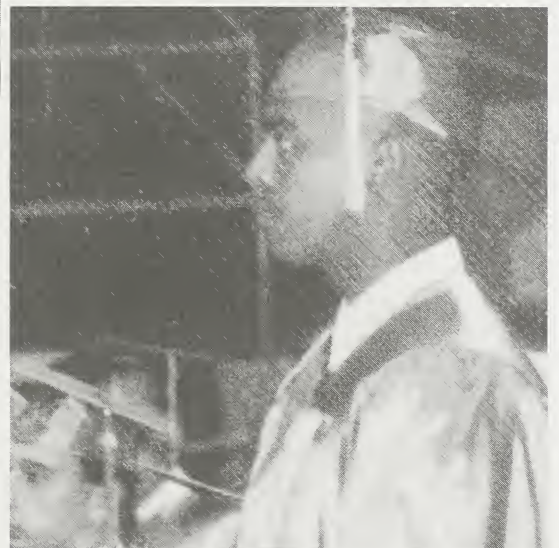


**GRADUATION PARADE,  
WAITE STADIUM, 1983.**

As thousands of alumni have attested, to be a Waite grad is truly a lifetime honor. The long parade of a century of graduates have gone on to accomplish much in the world, and have been proud to carry on the fine traditions of Waite High School.

**ROMULES DURANT,  
CLASS OF 1994.**

The energetic new Superintendent of Toledo Public Schools is also a proud Waite grad.





# ACTIVITIES

## *School Should Not Be This Much Fun*

### INTRODUCTION

For a hundred years, education has always been Waite's central mission. At the same time, students at Waite have also been encouraged to participate in band, choirs, clubs, student government, community service, social dances and parties, editing yearbooks and newspapers, art, theater, physical education and athletics, and countless other activities that help develop the whole person for his or her future life. As high schools became more popular throughout the country in the early years of the 20th century with increased curricular offerings, they were also expected to provide a wide range of social activities aimed at producing well-rounded students.

The premier social clubs were the boys' and girls' literary societies. Originally, literary clubs were grounded on literary criticism, but these clubs evolved by the 1920s into social and service clubs somewhat resembling fraternities and sororities. These societies became the backbone of social life at Waite for most of the school's first sixty years. Students eagerly awaited "bids" or invitations to join these clubs. The club members, like sports fans, often wore sweaters or sweatshirts of their society's colors. They held dances and engaged in annual athletic contests, such as the QD-Forum basketball and football games. The girls had their long-lived literary societies: the Zets, Peris, and Phils.

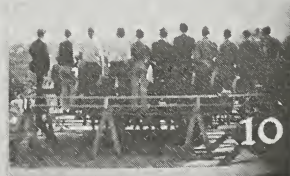
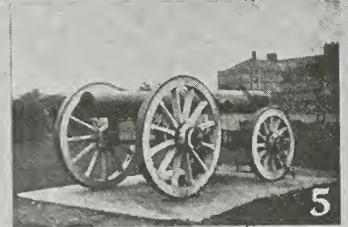
Students were also encouraged to participate in all sorts of other school activities. Yearbook photos tend to emphasize these extra-curricular activities, providing a large selection from which to choose, and only a sampling can be featured in this section. Nevertheless, these photographs illustrate the wide variety of activities available for Waite students to participate in from majorettes to homecoming queens, from marching bands to Featherwaite Follies, or from literary clubs to Memorial Day services.





### A COLLAGE OF SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, 1932.

The old library (#1) is seen here in the upper left corner, and the upper right picture appears to show the art room. A class photo is being taken (#12), and the begging picture at the lower right (#14) seems to be a 1932 reference to the Depression Era. The "Big Shot" cannon (#5) must have stood at the corner of Front and Morrison.



1. Kahnweiler Kalm.
2. 203 B.
3. Building the annual.
4. Good will emissaries (Turkey Day).

5. A former Big Shot.
6. Q. D.
7. Let's be literary!
8. N. E. M.
9. Zet.

10. Not football—photography.
11. Humble pie.
12. Watch the birdie.
13. Three's a very nice crowd.
14. Penny, please!

1932





## WHO'S WHO

### Senior Class

President.....Harold Jenkins  
 Vice-President.....Alta Wertz  
 Secretary.....Cornelia Harpster  
 Treasurer.....Harold Carson  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....William Alexander

### Junior Class

President.....William Streicher  
 Vice-President.....Irma Sanzenbacher  
 Secretary.....Edith Wells  
 Treasurer.....Howard Carson  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Karl Stamman

### Quill and Dagger Literary Society

President.....Harold Carson  
 Vice-President.....Carl Trempf  
 Secretary.....Merlyn Beard  
 Treasurer.....Ernest Schatz  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Myron Buhrer  
 Chaplain.....Ralph Rode

### High Y Club

President.....Victor Domhoff  
 Vice-President.....Harold Jenkins  
 Secretary.....Ernest Schatz  
 Treasurer.....Friendly Ford  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Lyman Burt  
 Chaplain.....Fred Cooley

### Le Cercle Français

President.....Cornelia Harpster  
 Vice-President.....William Rogge  
 Secretary.....Walter A. Reichhart  
 Treasurer.....James Shepherd

### Zetelethian Literary Society

President.....Alta Wertz  
 Vice-President.....Marion Wells  
 Secretary.....Cornelia Harpster  
 Treasurer.....Dorothy Walker  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Jeanette Wege  
 Reporter.....Dorothy Beelman

### Forum Literary Society

President.....Harold Jenkins  
 Vice-President.....Rollin Kuebbeler  
 Secretary.....John Crane  
 Treasurer.....Clifton Kenney  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Richard Cary  
 Censor.....Leonard Lashley  
 Corresponding Secretary.....William Streicher  
 Chaplain.....Henry Van Gorder

### Friendship Club

President.....Ruth Farmer  
 Vice-President.....Alta Wertz  
 Secretary.....Dorothy Beelman  
 Treasurer.....Helen Manson  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Phyllis Brooke  
 Pianist.....Martha McCauley  
 Reporter.....Mildred Haley

### Periclean Literary Society

President.....Virginia Shepard  
 Vice-President.....Imogene St. Clair  
 Treasurer.....Dolly Daring  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Helen Bennett  
 Censor.....Beatrice Thayer  
 Corresponding Secretary.....Ruth Farmer  
 Recording Secretary.....Lucille Hurrelbrink  
 Reporter.....Myldred Foley  
 Chaplain.....Mable Rotert

### Engineering Society

President.....William Irwin  
 Secretary.....Montgomery Gallagher  
 Treasurer.....Vernon Hoover  
 Sergeant-at-Arms.....Dale Dunn

### Annual Board

Editor-in-Chief.....Myron Buehrer  
 Associate Editor.....Dolly Daring  
 Business Manager.....Luther Killian  
 Literary Editor.....Imogene St. Clair  
 Organizations.....Friendly Ford  
 Social.....Myldred Foley  
 Athletics.....Caesar Auerbach  
 Girls' Athletics.....Helen Bennett  
 Comics.....Ernest Schatz

### A WHO'S WHO OF WAITE HIGH SCHOOL OFFICERS. THE RETINA, MARCH 1922.

The large number of clubs and boards at Waite, less than a decade after the school opened, is apparent in this early list of officers. Cornelia Palmer again appears here as secretary of the senior class and the Zetaethian Society, as well as president of Le Cercle Français. Karl Stamman, William Alexander, and Victor Domhoff were well-known athletes. Rollin Kuebbeler, Forum Vice-President, became an East Side doctor with his office in a brick house on Euclid Avenue. Henry Van Gorder, Forum Chaplin, was the principal of Franklin Elementary for many years, as was his father Rollo Van Gorder before him. It's not certain, however, who "Friendly Ford" was.



## CLUB LIFE AT WAITE.

These are only some of the many clubs past, present, and future that students could participate in over the years at Waite High School.

## ACADEMIC CLUBS

**Left to Right, Clockwise:**  
 Scarabs 1934,  
 Junior Council on World Affairs 1976,  
 Quill & Scroll 1974,  
 Intensive Office Education 1974



## FUTURE CLUBS

**Left to Right, Clockwise:**  
 Future Homemakers of America 1968,  
 Future Teachers of America 1952,  
 Future Nurses of America 1967,  
 Future Retailers of America 1948





## THE TIMES, THEY ARE A-CHANGING

The late 1960s and early 1970s were a time of great social change and upheaval in American society. The role of women was changing, and there were many ethnic and racial tensions. Waite was not immune to these social challenges. Traditional school organizations such as the literary societies lost some of their importance, and new groups and traditions took their place. Reflecting the times, Waite's fifth principal, Leonard Hendrickson, wrote in his message to the class of 1969:

"You are living in challenging, uncertain times. Many frames of reference which made the world of your parents and grandparents secure have been expanded, warped, or broken, so that they bear no relationship to the original any longer. I hope that each of you has been sufficiently flexible in your approach to the world that you will be able to succeed in this constantly changing order. I trust that Waite has contributed to each of you, in part at least, the ability to adjust to a world in flux. Many sincere wishes to each of you as you go out into this fluid world."



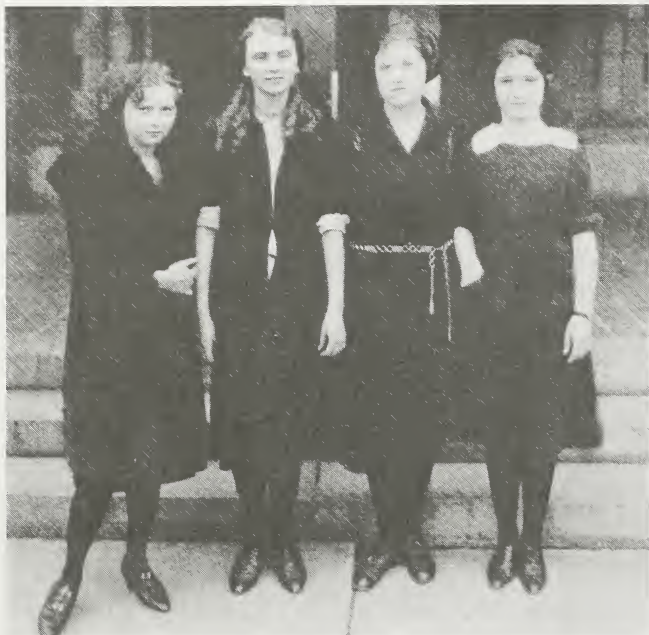
AFRICAN-AMERICAN CLUB, 1979.

In an effort to reach out to more of Waite's diversified student body, the 1970s saw the establishment of a Mexican-American Club and an African-American Club. Waite has continued to include and educate all minorities, as the world has become increasingly more diverse, but also just as much in need of a solid education.



MEXICAN-AMERICAN CLUB, 1977.





**THE ALOHA LITERARY CLUB, 1922.** This club was formed in 1919 to encourage freshmen girls to attend Waite. The officers pictured here are Doris Snovar, Althea Phillips, Helen Brown, and Mildred Sharp. Unfortunately, it seems that this literary club said a final "Aloha" after only a few years.



**WAITE SKI CLUB, EARLY 1980S.**

Teachers often volunteered their time for student organizations, as Thomas Truckor did here with the Ski Club.



**PROM.**

Front, Kathleen Penovich, Rosalyn Harrison, Nancy Mathias, Jeanne Herrick-Co-Chr. Back, Richard Fields, Larry Michaels, Bruce Knecht, Brian Metzger, Joseph Bistayi-Co-Chr.

**LET'S DANCE AND GO ON A TRIP. WAITE SENIOR COMMITTEES, 1965.**

In addition to clubs, students could participate in school government by being officers or by serving on committees to plan activities and events, such as proms or class trips.



**TRIP.**

Front, Diane Jones, Pat Luce, Joyce Taylor, Sharon Horvath-Chr. Back, Terry Breymaier, James Falk, William Rowland.



## LIGHTS! CAMERA! ACTION!

While some Waite Indians found expression in academic excellence, others in athletic competition or music, a significant source of fond memories for many students came from participation in school plays or the Featherwaite Follies, a name given to student shows by Victoria Canfield in 1943. Certainly, dreams of stardom were briefly alive while students performed in front of parents, friends, and classmates. Others took on roles as prompters, directors, or stage and lighting technicians. Little did the budding thespians realize at the time that these experiences were lending a sense of self-confidence that students would need to be successful on the wider stage of life.



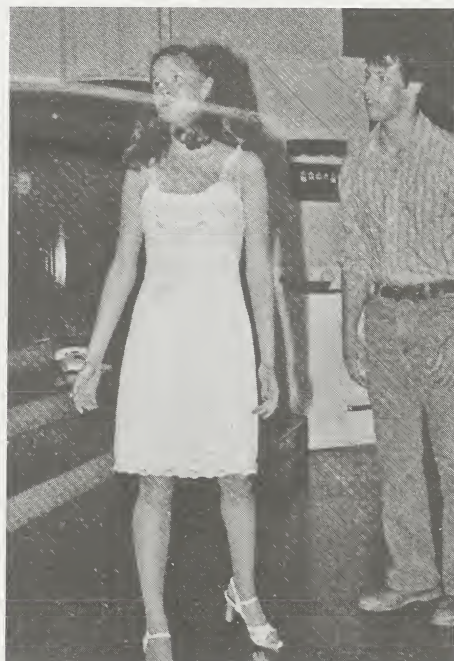
### THESPIAN CLUB, 1970.

So wide ranging were the clubs of the 1960s and 1970s that an assistant principal was in charge of supervising these student activities, such as the Thespian Club pictured here. Row One: Karen Watkins, Al Lohner, and Janice Culver. Row Two: Kris Gyurko, Cathy Shaffer, Ziata Cordas, and Kris Clark.



### A LUCKY GUY.

A Hawaiian song is performed from the Follies of 1958.



### BROADWAY, HERE WE COME, 1980S.

Laura Leach and Scott Barton perform "Small Talk" from "The Pajama Game," directed by George Carstensen and Sam Szor.





**A DRAMATIC MOMENT, 1964.**

The cast is acting out a scene from the play "Arsenic and Old Lace" in this stage production. A play like this also required much student participation behind the curtains.



**AN EVEN MORE DRAMATIC MOMENT.**

In another scene from "Arsenic and Old Lace," Linda Ziehr and Katrina Meyer discover a dead border, Dennis Domini, in a coffin. The 1964 production was directed by Glenna Engle and Scott Haywood.





**OTHER WAITE PERFORMERS.**

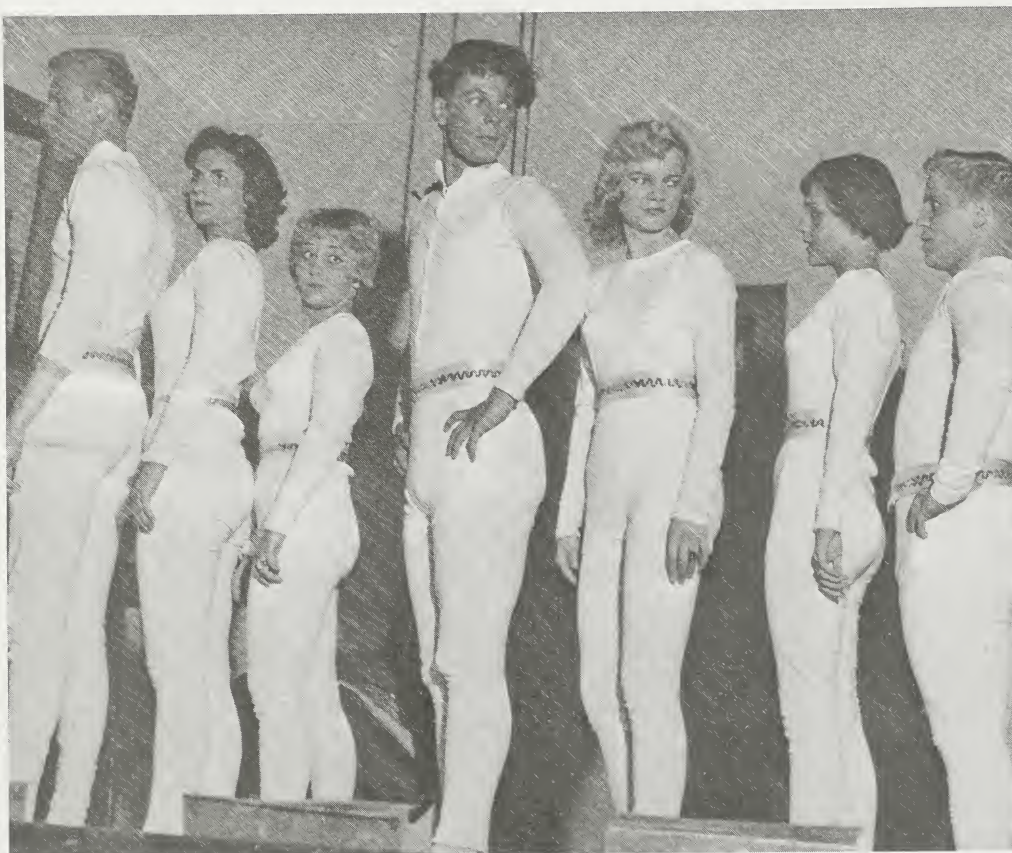
Teresa Brewer, left, (born Theresa Breuer from the Birmingham neighborhood) became a nationally known singer during the 1950s. Gloria Steinem, right, went on to be a leader in the women's movement of the 1960s and 1970s.

**MAYBE I SHOULD  
HAVE CHOSEN ANOTHER  
INSTRUMENT, 1959 FOLLIES.**

An attractive young lady plays here in "Video Killed the Radio Star." Or maybe it was the accordion.







**WHERE DID THEY HIDE OUR COSTUMES?**

These students were the acrobats in the 1958 Junior Class Play called "The Flying Gerardos."



**"BILLIE JEAN" TIMES THREE.  
FEATHERWAITE FOLLIES,  
1990S.**

Matt Smith gives a virtuoso performance as Michael Jackson in this production of "Entertainment Tonight."



## WAITE BAND

It has been an honor and a service for students to participate in the Waite marching band over the years. The band was formed by Guy Sutphen in 1922, and has played at sporting events and for other school occasions ever since. Cecile Vashaw came in 1940 and greatly enhanced the school's whole music program, including the band, along with Donald Haxton and Arland Krueger. With the help of Mr. Krueger and Maxine Cosgray, Miss Vashaw wrote Waite's Alma Mater during the 1944-1945 school year. Waite's own Sam Szor, known for many years of directing "Music Under the Stars" programs at the Toledo Zoo, came back to lead the school's music program in the 1970s and 1980s. In more recent years, the band has continued to be well led under Mark Irwin and current director Andrew Fritz.

Some other early highlights include Nelson Eddy playing with the band at the 1935 May Festival, traveling to El Paso, Texas in 1946, playing at the Browns-Lions football game in Detroit in 1947, and playing during halftime of a Detroit Lions-New York Giants pre-season game on September 15, 1956.

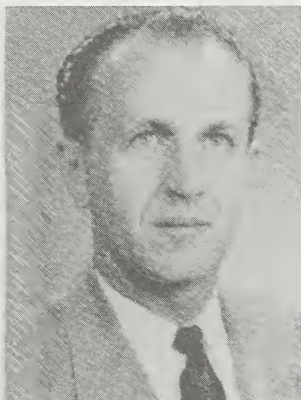
### FOUR WAITE BAND LEADERS



**GUY SUTPHEN**



**CECILE VASHAW**



**DAVID HAXTON**



**SAM SZOR**



**WAITE BAND, 1943-1944.**

The smartly attired band poses here on the steps of the stadium. At this time the unit had sixty pieces, and had begun the practice of marching in a straight line across the football field in its pregame performance. By 1954, the band would have eighty members.

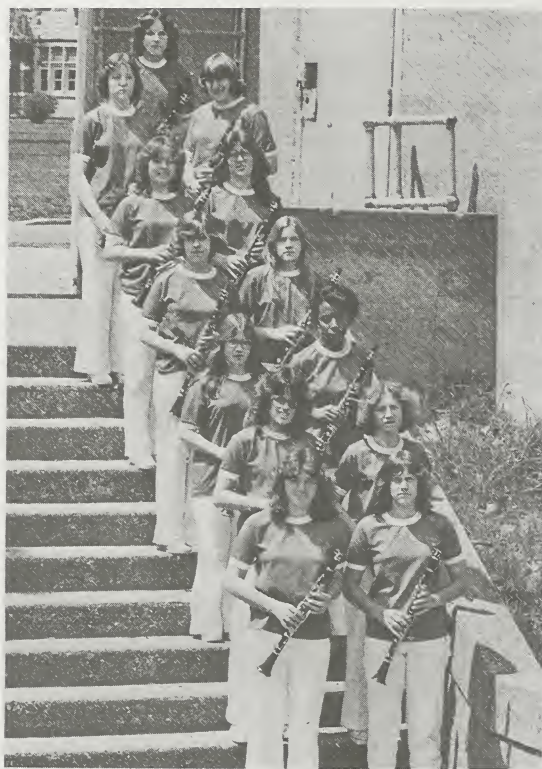


**LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BAND. WAITE STADIUM, 1979.**

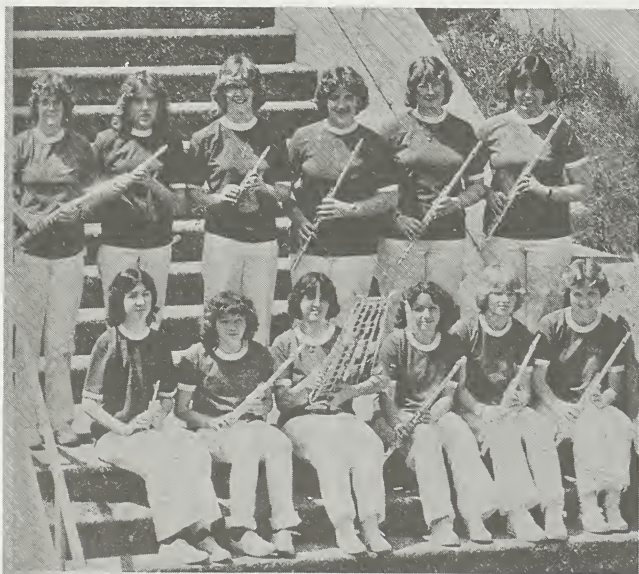
The band was again strong in 1979. Here the trumpets, clarinets, flutes and bells, and drums pose on the steps of the stadium.



Trumpets: Top to bottom: Tom DeArmand, Bob Kellerbauer, Bernie Bathel, Bruce Kurfis, Bob Smith, Peggy Farris, John Geronimo, Tony Horvath, Pam Goldsmith, Sue Felaris, Linda Schwartzwalder, Stephanie Suto, Mary Schudel, Kim Mausser, Julie McGee.



Clarinets: Top to bottom: Barb Bundy, Cleo Smith, Lisa Ob-linger, Tricia Brooks, Tracey Burson, Judy Wineland, Lorene Harrison, Sue Allore, Mignon Baker, Julie Goodman, Becky Blair, Michelle Ranchen, Kim Erdman.



Flutes and Bells: Row 1: Kelly Kemmerly, Karen Kalmbach, Laura Smith, Jean Danderhorst, Marybeth Glass, Kristi Eggert. Row 2: Karen Gebhardt, Joy Ocheski, Cindy Gebhardt, Lisa Fath, Marilee Beller, Brenda Loge.

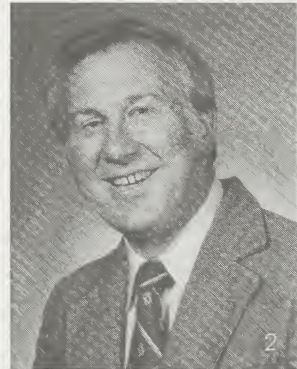
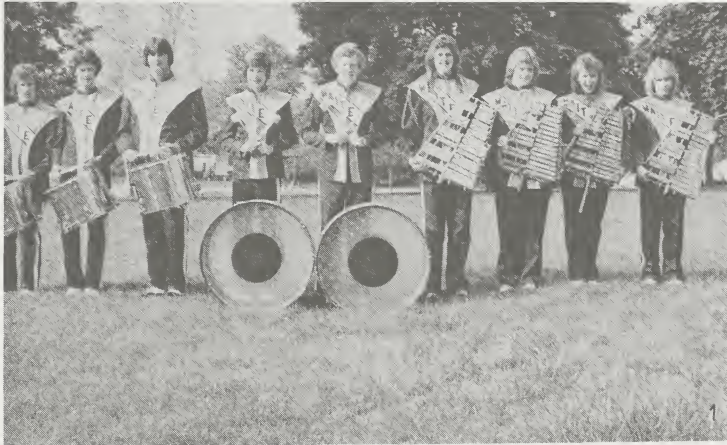


Drums: Row 1: Jim Keller, Gary Evans, Kim Becker, Shelly Stevens. Row 2: Mark Horn, Norm Bodi.





WAITE BAND AND MAJORETTES. STADIUM BLEACHERS, 1945.



LESS FORMAL ARRANGEMENT. WAITE BAND MEMBERS WITH DIRECTOR SAM SZOR, 1983.



**OH, EXCUSE ME.  
WAITE BAND  
MEMBERS BUTTING  
HORNS, ABOUT  
1980.**

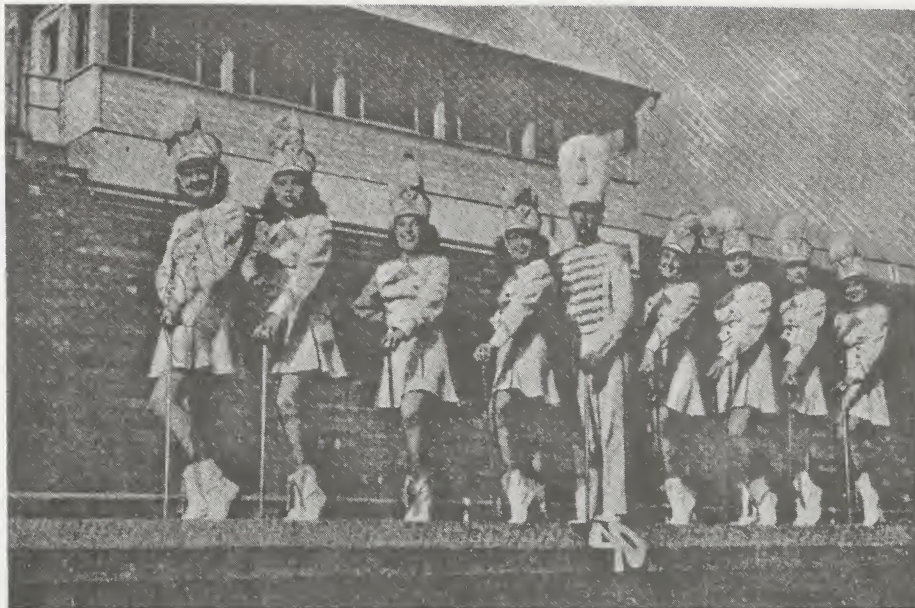
The band is seen here in the stadium performing what appears to be a lively number.



**BAND NEW. NEW BAND REHEARSAL ROOM, MARCH 2013.**

The renovation of the school has transformed the old industrial arts area into new band and choir rehearsal rooms beneath the auditorium. There is now direct access to the stadium through the auditorium lobby. Note the locked storage compartments for student belongings, and there is also a separate instrument storage room.





**WAITING FOR THE FANS. MAJORETTES AT WAITE STADIUM, 1947.**

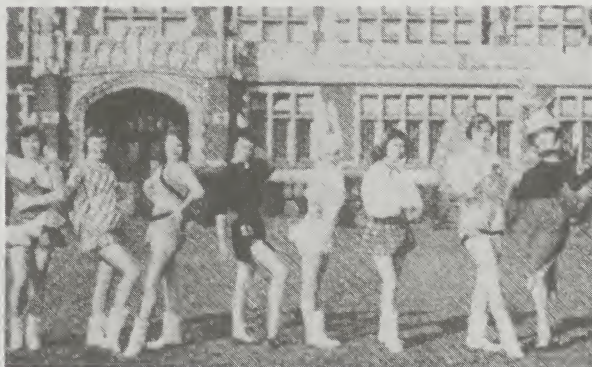
Drum major Sam Szor, who would return to Waite as band director in the mid-1970s, is shown here when he was a student at Waite in 1947, along with lovely majorettes Rita Gratz, Marian Miller, Kathryn Corbin, Jean Wunderley, Joan Wunderley, Doris Ayling, Billye Lou Saul, and Catherine Black.



1965 Majorettes



Clark Pringle and the 1950 Majorettes



1954 Majorettes get ready for a show!



1954 Majorettes in formal attire.

**A GOOD REASON TO STAY IN SCHOOL. A COLLAGE OF WAITE MAJORETTES.**

The majorettes, in addition to twirling and dancing, were also regular band members and played an instrument.





**A-ONE-AND-A-TWO. WAITE ORCHESTRA, 1941.**

The orchestra at Waite was started by accomplished violinist Bessie Werum in 1921. Arland Krueger is seated here at the back, fourth from the left in the second row. The Waite orchestra still plays the alma mater and provides music for many school and community activities.



**AFTER YOU. FORMAL WAITE DANCE, GIRLS GYM, 1947.**

If there is an orchestra, there will be dancers. Here couples are paired up ready to begin the "Grand March" at this well-attended school dance.



# SENIOR PROM

Given by the  
SENIOR CLASS

of

WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

at the

WOMEN'S BUILDING

March Twenty-seventh, Nineteen Seventeen

## Chaperones

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gayman

Miss Dunlap

Miss Gates

Mr. Mathias

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Mason

## Senior Officers

James Doyle .....President

Leah Feak .....Vice-President

Donald Herringshaw .....Treasurer

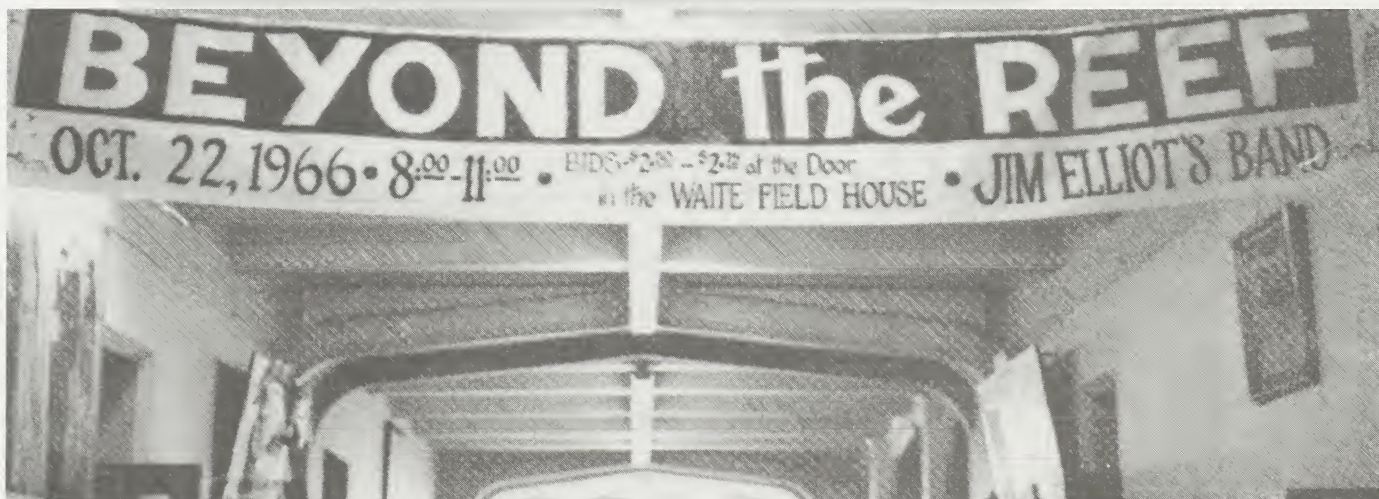
Clarice Anderson .....Secretary

Frank Rousch .....Sergeant-at-Arms

Tuesday evening, March twenty-seventh, more than two hundred young people enjoyed the Waite High Senior Prom at the Women's Building. Among the dance numbers played by Carl Hill's orchestra was a patriotic air during which the only light in the ball room was shed by the American flag in gleaming electrics. The class crest was embossed upon the program covers.

## SENIOR PROM NOTICE, MARCH 27, 1917.

Perhaps nothing illustrates the changes in society and culture more than a stroll back in time to early student dances. In the early days, dances were fairly buttoned-up affairs, heavily chaperoned. The dances today, while still chaperoned, are more casual and students often attend solo or with a group of friends. This senior prom took place less than three years after Waite opened. The principal, Mr. Gayman, even served as a chaperone.



## BE THERE OR BE SQUARE. DANCE BANNER, 1966.

Another tradition was to string banners across the second floor hallway to announce school plays and upcoming dances, and to remind students to buy their "bids." In this case, they could save a quarter by paying in advance.





**WATCHING FROM ABOVE. WAITE SCHOOL DANCE IN THE GIRLS' GYM, 1949.**

There are no "wall flowers" in the empty chairs along the wall in this picture, as all the couples have joined hands to begin the march. Seated above the dance floor appear to be some of the chaperones. In the top picture, more girls than boys are standing together on the balcony.





**THE PAUSE THAT REFRESHES. WAITE DANCE, 1942.**

These coeds must have worked up a thirst from dancing. Wasn't it true at this time that dates would share a drink with their straws?

**HEY, BOYS! WAITE DANCE, "A WALK ON THE WILD SIDE," 2000S.**

Seniors Sarah Urban, Danielle Wheeler, and Amber Schmoldt, along with juniors Jenny Revilla and Jessica Schiffler display the latest fashions at this school dance.



**JAZZ BAND, 2004.**

In recent years, students could also participate in Jazz Band, a popular activity for musically talented Waite students, which at this time was led by band director Mark Irwin (at right).



## WAITE CHOIRS

The choir has always been a popular activity for talented students, and also has been a strong contributor to school programs and community events. The first glee club was formed in 1921 by Clarence Ball, and in the early years they performed more often before choirs were organized around receiving class credit. As the music program expanded, elaborate formal and exotic musicales were staged, such as “The Bells of Barcelona” (1927), “The Mikado” (1928), and “Big Day” (1941).

In the 1950s through the 1970s, the choir was a regular participant in school programs at Christmas, Easter, and graduation, in addition to hosting after-school concerts. Recently, the emergence of “show choirs,” which incorporate stunning costumes with energetic dance routines, has made vocal music again a popular student activity. Waite has been fortunate to have many excellent choir directors over the years, including Clarence Ball, Eugene Evans, Sam Szor, Richard Dean, Janet Lyne, and the current new director Lisa Morgan.

### **WAITE CHOIR WITH DIRECTOR RICHARD DEAN, ABOUT 1970.**

In this picture Mr. Dean appears to be introducing the choir, or perhaps hitting a high note.



### **HAPPY TO SING FOR US. FORMAL CHOIR, 1975.**

Waite has had so many outstanding choirs, as exemplified by these young people, during the long history of the school.







**WAITE SHOW CHOIR,  
1997-1998.**

Under the suburb direction of Janet Lyne, the students in Waite's show choirs always gave strong performances with a large repertoire of music tailored for a wide variety of audiences. Over the years, they have sung and danced for many school events, but also for civic clubs, historical society parties, church programs, family graduations, and all kinds of other community organizations.



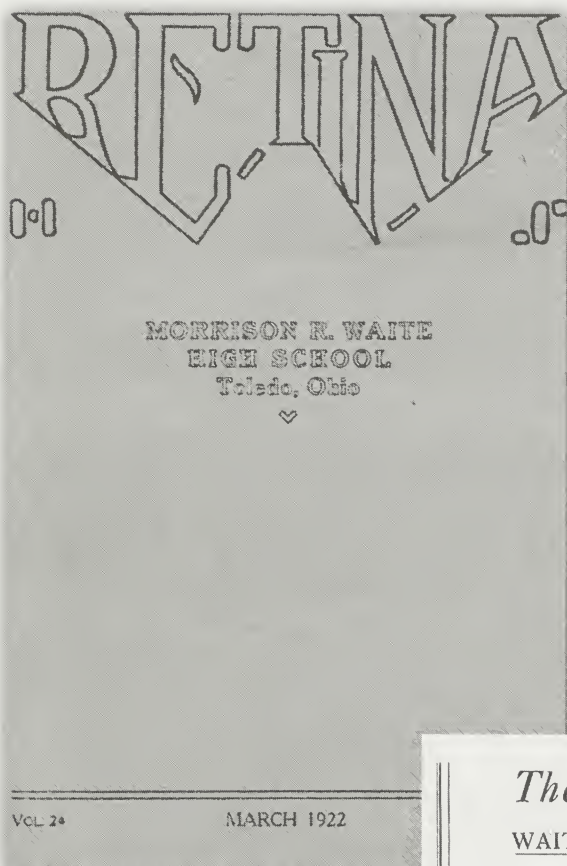
**STEPPING UP THEIR  
PERFORMANCE.  
WAITE SHOW CHOIR,  
2008**

If anyone has not heard these talented young people perform, consider contacting the school to arrange for them to come to an event or community program.



## PUBLICATIONS

Waite's first publication *The Retina* was started at the old Central High School and came over to Waite in the new school's opening year. More of a quarterly, *The Retina* was a thick literary magazine that gave students an outlet for all sorts of creative writing, and it won several awards for its content.



**WAITE RETINA, MARCH 1922.**  
This issue is shaped like a "W."

**HOT OFF THE PRESS.**

Two nattily attired senior girls proudly display the latest copy of *The Retina* in front of the school in 1915.



## The RETINA of WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

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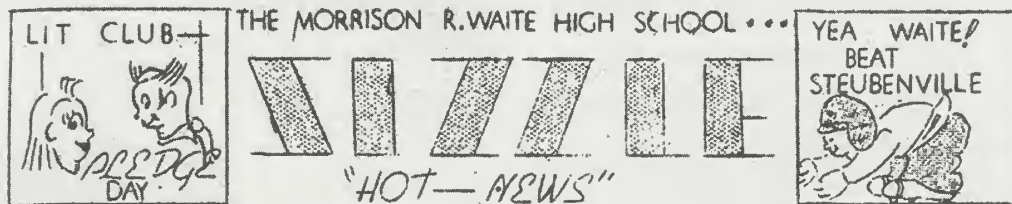
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**CONTENTS OF THE RETINA.**  
There were essays, short stories, sports, Who's Who, and other news all packed into this 1922 issue. It would be worth the price just to read Dolly Daring's "Faculty Facts."



In 1941-1942, responding to wartime paper and ink shortages, a smaller weekly newspaper called The Sizzle (Hot News) was established to provide more timely news and sports. Like many other newspapers, the beloved Sizzle is now no longer published, but back issues are a trove of Waite student history.



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Toledo 5, Ohio

Oct., 18, 1946

### SPECTACULAR PERFORMANCE TO BE HELD TONIGHT

When the end of the second quarter rolls around at the Waite-Staubenville game tonight, fans will witness a spectacle seldom seen by followers of high school athletics.

The spectacle, a pageant and fireworks display, will honor the industries of East Toledo. Featured in the pageant will be a 12 foot replica of Waite High School. The model made by the art students of Mrs. Dorothy Packer, took 12 students five days to complete.

Since today, Oct. 8 has been declared "East Toledo Day", the industries and businesses of (con't. p.)

### STUDENTS AWARDED PRIZES IN MAGAZINE CONTEST

Winners of the poster contest for the Magazine Campaign have been decided upon. Taking first prize is Ervin Saul, a freshman. Rose Kirilanoff and Pauline Davidson tied for the second prize, with Joan Bolander taking third prize. Kathryn Smith, Elaine Costic, and Bill Brooks all deserve honorable mention for their fine work.

Mrs. Carolyn Hatfield announced the winners at the Magazine Assembly.

### MOVIE QUESTION TO BE DISCUSSED IN JUNIOR TOWN MEETING SESSION AT N.W.O.T.A. MEETING

Part of the Radio-Visual Section of Northwestern Ohio Teachers Association meeting on Friday, Oct. 25, has been set for the demonstration of a Junior Town Meeting program. Students from Toledo public and parochial high schools will participate and be selected according to the previous method. Because the time is limited to a half-hour the four speakers will talk for two and one-half minutes.

### BOYS' LITERARY SOCIETIES ANNOUNCE PLEDGES

Pledges to Forum and Quill and Dagger Literary Societies were chosen in recent elections.

Those pledged to the Forum are: Bob Horst, Bob Hansen; Paul Bower, Bob Bowman, Gene Watkins, Mel Weir, Carl Saylor, Harry Hall, Bob Donegan, Dick Haberstock, George Nesteroff, Val Cochran, and Bob Richards.

Those pledged to the Quill and Dagger are: Bob Baumgartner, Elroy Billings, David Buescher; Dick Cox, Delbert Dayton, Herbert Earle; Robert Timm, Jack Heider, Richard Hodelick, Dick Huntzinger, and Fred Kirk.

Alton Klickman, Robert Kontz, Edward Lange, Richard Murphy, John Nicholas, Stewart Peterson, Merritt Schaeffer, Charles Seawater, Bruce Smith, Laurence Swartz, Richard Topping, and Philip Woolaver.

Participants will be selected according to the previous method. Because the time is limited to a half-hour the four speakers will talk for two and one-half minutes.

The panel will consist of experts, all finalists. Since there will be no student audience, the panel will be relied upon to act as audience as well. Visiting teachers may or may not participate in the discussion, and not more than four finalists from each school will be necessary (con't. to p. 4)

### POETRY CONTEST IS OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS

Again this year, students will have the opportunity to enter their works into the National High School Poetry Association contest.

Pupils may submit as many poems as they desire, with each entry on a separate piece of paper. Dec. 5 is the closing date. For further information, a student may consult his English teacher.

Last year, numerous Waite poets received awards and had their poems printed in the National High School Poetry Anthology. Anthologies are sold to students.

### ALL THE "HOT-NEWS."

Early Sizzle of October 18, 1946. Literary news was still prominent with articles about Forum and Quill & Dagger Literary Societies along with a poetry contest.



# **THE SIZZLE**

VOLUME XXII, NUMBER 8

WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 8, 1963

## WAITE SENIOR RATES IN NATIONAL TEST

### LETTER OF COMMENDATION GIVEN FOR HIGH SCORE

Annette Clover, Waite senior, recently brought recognition to Waite High School by receiving a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. The letter was given in acknowledgment of her fine performance on the Merit Scholarship Test.

### Drag Bids On Sale

November 15 Date Set For Dance

Bids for the 1963 Varsity Drag will be on sale in front of the trophy case each day during third and fourth hour beginning Monday, November 11. The price per bid is \$2.25, or \$1.50 for members of Waite's Varsity football team.

Members of the Student Council Social Committee sponsoring the dance are Annette Clover, Marlene Hammel, Barb McCoy, Nancy Demko, Sue Kansorka, Karen Willmann and Kathy Beck. Suzzette Fewster, Director of Social Affairs, is chairman.

## SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

Scholarships of all amounts are available to high school seniors each year. The amounts may vary from two or three hundred dollars to full tuition, according to the student's financial need.

The Waite Parent-Teacher Association gives two, \$200 scholarships annually. These are usually renewable. Such companies as Procter & Gamble and Westinghouse also have scholarships available.

Administered in the junior year in approximately 16,500 high schools throughout the country, the Merit Scholarship Test ranks the participating students according to test scores.

Annette missed placing in the semifinalist group by only two points. Therefore, she cannot continue in the competition for scholarship awards, but does remain in the top two per cent of all high school seniors.

## Homecoming Queen Elected

Last Wednesday, one of the five finalists pictured below was chosen as 1963 Football Homecoming Queen. At the present time, the name of the new queen is a well-kept secret.

The five finalists were selected from a group of forty-five girls following two preliminary elections. The first election, held October 28, cut the field of candidates to ten.

The second election, held Friday, November 1, produced the five finalists. One of these finalists will be queen. Her name will be announced this afternoon at the Coronation Mass Meeting which is to be held in the fieldhouse.

## Speech Contest Held

"The Challenge of Citizenship" is the theme of the seventeenth annual Voice of Democracy National Script-writing Contest. Deadline for the contest is November 13.

Co-sponsors of the contest are the Veterans of Foreign Wars and National and State Associations of Broadcasters.

Purpose of the speech contest is to give students an opportunity to voice their opinions on patriotic themes.

High school students, tenth through twelfth grades, are eligible to participate.

Each state winner of the contest will be provided with a five-day, all-expense paid trip to Philadelphia, and Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D. C.

The winners will be given an opportunity to compete for scholarships in the amounts of \$5,000, \$3,500, \$2,500 and \$1,500.

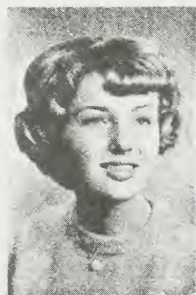
Speeches must not be shorter than three minutes, nor longer than five minutes.

Students wishing to participate in this contest should see Mr. Casper for further information.

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SENIOR Y-TEENS WILL HOLD A FUDGE SALE NOV. 14, IMMEDIATELY AFTER SCHOOL IN FRONT OF THE TROPHY CASE AND ON FIRST FLOOR.

## Five Beauties Contest For 1963 Homecoming Queen



Annette Clover



Nancy Bright



Cathy Ando



Sharon Gladieux



Christine Johnson

### ELECTION DAY. THE SIZZLE, NOVEMBER 8, 1963.

By the 1960s, the newspaper had a more polished format. This issue featured pictures of the five Homecoming Queen finalists. Students could then vote for their choice. In a more modern note, "Drag Bids" were on sale.





## Sports Shorts

by pat mcgrew - sports editor

Coach Jack O'Connell's Indians play the fighting Irish at the Scott fieldhouse tonight. The last time the Indians defeated Central in regular season play was 1956. Since that time, the Irish have compiled a fifteen game winning streak in regular season play against Waite. The Indians defeated Central in a tournament game last year.

Indian varsity basketball players are sporting new warm-up suits this year. The suits are gold with purple trim. Roundballers like them since they are very warm.

Now is the season when winter sports dominate the scene. Although Waite has no hockey team, some boys play on teams outside of school. P.J. Nyitray, Dan Williams and Terry Sundling are members of one team. Joe Alford and Lester Horvath play on another hockey team. Games are played at the Sports Arena. Joe Alford is a member of the Waite wrestling squad.

### FROSH WIN FIRST GAME

McTigue Junior High went down to defeat as the Waite freshmen romped to a 40-29 victory.

Gilbert Guerrero was Waite's high scorer with thirteen points. Emule Gullatt had ten points.

"Defense was very much improved and gave us the victory," stated Bob Tarpchinoff, frosh roundball coach.

The game was the only one played in Waite's fieldhouse last Friday due to the postponement of varsity and junior varsity action.

The Indians will be out to even up their city league record against Central tonight.

### Former Indian Roundballer Rates At Memphis State



## VARSITY SMASHES BRYAN 73-53

### JUNIOR VARSITY SUFFERS FIRST DEFEAT OF SEASON AT BRYAN

"If we would have hustled, we could have won," stated Coach James Kirk concerning the junior varsity's 46-35 defeat at the hands of Bryan's Golden Bears.

Bryan led throughout the entire contest. Waite never trailed by more than nine points in the game.

Waite sunk fourteen field goals to Bryan's eleven. At the charity line, the Golden Bears collected twenty-four points in thirty-seven attempts. The Indians made only seven of sixteen free throws.

### Weather Forces Postponement

Old man winter stuck out a frosty-paw last Friday and completely immobilized the Toledo area. While all city schools had wrestling matches or basketball games with other city schools, most area high schools closed for the day.

Bowling Green was to meet the Indians at Waite's fieldhouse for a basketball game. However, at the last minute the game was called off, much to the dismay of Waite fans.

Mauvee was to wrestle Waite last Friday. Since the match was at Mauvee, and the Panthers had no school, the wrestling match had to be postponed.

Waite Athletic Director, Chet La Buda is in the process of rescheduling the Waite - Bowling Green game. Indian matmen traveled to Mauvee last Tuesday for their make-up match with the Panthers.

### Schliesser Gets State Honors

Indian gridder Carl Schliesser received another honor to go along with his first team all-city berth. Carl was awarded honorable mention on the all-state team as a linebacker. Congratulations on a fine year Carl.

Four Waite players hit double figures again as the Indians notched their second victory of the young basketball season. Bryan's Golden Bears were the victims.

Rus Bless paced the Indian scoring attack by garnering eighteen points. Close behind with sixteen and fifteen points respectively were Mark Miller and Bill Siabenaler.

After a close first half which saw the Indians leading by only two points, Waite came back and led the game in the third and fourth quarters.

"The turning point of the game was when we gained control of the backboards in the second half," stated Coach O'Connell. He also remarked "We had good outside shooting in the second half."

Waite will meet Central tonight in the Scott fieldhouse.

## Girls at Play

by Helen Rogers

Girls basketball intramurals are now in session with twelve girls participating every Wednesday night.

Girls participating are divided into two teams, three forwards and three guards on a team.

Climaxing the weeks of training will be city-wide basketball play-offs, which will be held at Scott High School sometime during the week of January 11.

Any sophomore, junior or senior girl wishing to participate should contact Mrs. Hamilton, sophomore gym instructor.

Bowling intramurals are in session for any interested sophomore, junior or senior girl.

Teams of five girls each are being formed. These teams will compete with girls in other teams. At the end of the intramural period, teams from throughout the city will meet for bowling playoffs.

Girls bowl every Thursday after school at the Sports Center on Starr Avenue. Cost of games is thirty-five cents; shoes are provided.

### Grapplers Open League Season

Central will bring their matmen to the Waite fieldhouse this afternoon at 4:00 for a match with the Indian grapplers. This will be Waite's first city league encounter of the season. Both teams will have many experienced wrestlers in this match, and competition should be very keen. Ken Marazon, Lee Johnson, Bob Garey, Marv Fox, Bob Schick, Rich Habel and Bill Komives all saw action against the Irish last year. In the past six years, Waite has never succeeded in defeating Central.

All Waite fans are invited to see the match. There is no admission charge.

### SPORTS NEWS. THE SIZZLE, 1965.

At Waite, sports have always been important, so a large portion of the student newspaper, edited here by Pat McGrew, was about school athletes and teams. Jack Romp still holds the boys' basketball record for most points with 986. There was also an intriguing article about "Girls at Play."



## SENIORS REFUSE

"Graduation ceremonies have been cancelled this year because of problems beyond the administration's control," stated Principal Ray McNeill.

"The seniors like school so much that they don't want to leave Waite. They demanded that their graduation be postponed and are able to remain seniors for as long as they want," he said.

On the other hand, the teachers, with completely different ideas, said "either the seniors go or we go."

Seniors, angered by the teachers' decision, started fighting the faculty members. Utter chaos broke out in the school.

After taking Mrs. Karen Palm, and Mr. Ron Alvarez, senior class advisors, as hostages, the seniors barricaded themselves inside the boys' bathroom.

"We won't let these prisoners go until the school meets our demands," shouted Dave Yenrick, the leader of the student revolutionists.

The seniors, who refused all compromises offered to them by the administration, started getting desperate.

Tortures, such as dunking in the commode and eating the cafeteria food, were arranged by the seniors.

With no other way out, the teachers decided to set up a riot patrol. The special squad consisted of faculty members and was lead by Mrs. Esther Lerner, librarian.

As the squad was ready to break into the bathroom, the 1:30 bell rang. The whole group was wiped out by students who were leaving for home.

In all the confusion, only one teacher was injured. Mr. Harvey McGrew ended up with a wounded knee.

Finally, the seniors gave up. "We realized that there's no way we are going to get what we want," said Dave.

# FIZZLE

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Waite High School

Toledo, Ohio

April 1, 1974

## WAITE TO GET A BIG LIFT



Miss Karen Ardner, math teacher and Honor Society advisor, takes her place as foreman for the big turnaround. She is risking her life, but has faith that Waite students won't drop the building and her with it. The FIZZLE commends her bravery.

At precisely 10:22 a.m. today at the sound of the bell all students will go outside and report to their particular corner of the building to turn the building around.

Miss Karen Ardner, math teacher, has volunteered, at the risk of her life, to stand on the roof of the school to direct the procedure. The students under the direction of Miss Ardner will make an extreme effort at the amplified "Heave Ho!" signal to pick up the school and turn it around. Waite students are sick and tired of hearing the rumored story that Waite was built backwards, so with an immense effort, we're just going to reverse the school.

Miss Ardner has gone to great lengths to get national publicity for this once-in-a-life-time event. Never in the annals of history, has a building this size been lifted off its base. Miss Ardner has contacted the newspaper, various television and radio stations.

Walter Cronkite and Harry Reasoner will be bringing in a special news team. Hundreds of reporters, from around the world, are converging on our campus to record this event for posterity. Mr. Ripley from "Believe It or Not" will also be on hand to witness this event.

As usual the teachers are arguing on where to put their Second St. parking lot.

Ms. Brenda Hannan, Mrs. Barb Penske, Mr. James Ellinger, and Mr. Jerry Lambdin are in charge of moving the parking lot, but they are still arguing on who will take

## COUNCIL CAUGHT

A miniature Watergate appears to have come to Waite. Our own "Waitegate" started Monday, last week, when two Student Council representatives, Jeannie Dean and Roseanne Labuhn, were caught breaking into Senior Class President Dave Yenrick's locker.

Josie Almaguer and Joe Maze, Senior Class Sergeants-at-Arms, apprehended the two stealing the plans for future Senior Class projects. President Yenrick blamed the break-in on "the huge rivalry that has sprouted up between Student Council and the Senior Class over who should run the school."

However, the official Student Council release was: "We knew nothing of these representatives or their plans."

Last Tuesday, rumors were abounding which

Labuhn had been paid off by Student Council to keep quiet and take their penalties. One reporter, Nancy Kubasek, claimed she has proof which links the pay-off directly to Mr. Steve Contos and Mrs. Jerrilyn Drake, foremost advisors to Student Council President Horn.

Wednesday, in an "effort to arrest all guilty parties", President Horn named Kathy Bird special Waitegate prosecutor. Raymond McNeill was also selected as judge of the case.

Not to be outdone, the Senior Class formed a special Waitegate committee to do their own investigating. Steve Dunaway was named as chairman.

Nancy Mawer, Waite's representative to Toledo Area Student Council, revealed before Senior

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## THE FIZZLE, APRIL 1, 1974.

April Fools' Day editions of The Sizzle were always popular. This issue spoofs the then current Watergate scandal by featuring a fictional break-in and political dispute between future Waite principal, David Yenrick, and future teacher, Kevin Horn, who was then student council president.



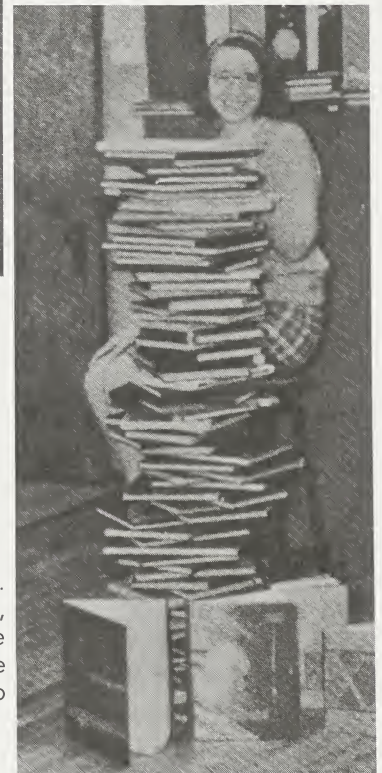
The Purple and Gold yearbook, or “annual,” began publication in 1915 and was eagerly awaited by students each spring. Its pages are a reflection of school life for generations of Waite students. In most cases, it is a lifetime possession, taken out occasionally to remember past times, friends, classmates, and teachers. The publication reflects the changing values, styles, and fads over the years, giving a glimpse of the history of the past century.

The name of the yearbook was changed to the Warrior in 1975, and the format was reduced from 9x12 to 8x11. The Warrior switched to summer distribution in 1978, allowing for the inclusion of graduation, proms, and spring sports and activities, such as the annual Memorial Day program.



**SERIOUS ABOUT THEIR WORK. PURPLE AND GOLD EDITORIAL STAFF, 1941.**

Pictured here is the year book editorial staff with Maxine Cosgray in the center. Miss Cosgray came to Waite in 1937 and remained until the 1970s, and one of the activities she was involved with for many years was supervisor to the yearbook.



**ONE LITTLE SHOVE. WAITE YEARBOOKS, 1968.**

Sue Calcamuggio Tober, editor of the 1968 Purple and Gold, sits cautiously behind a tower of books from other years. There is a complete collection of every yearbook since 1915 in the alumni room on the fourth floor of the school for anyone who would like to take an enjoyable browse through the past.



## SERVING THE COMMUNITY

As part of the school's well-rounded activity program, Waite students and faculty have always tried to give back to the community. This is shown in the annual giving of Christmas baskets to families in need and in the yearly Red Cross blood drive.



**I JUST FELL ASLEEP AND WOKE UP A FEW QUARTS LOW. WAITE BLOOD DRIVES, 1984 (TOP) AND 1990S.**

No, a national disaster did not strike the school, but all these students are giving blood to the Red Cross. Started as a club project by Claire Dunn, the blood drive has thrived and these pictures show how extensive student participation has been.



**STUDENTS READY TO DELIVER CHRISTMAS BASKETS.**

This program goes back to the early days of the school. Homerooms "adopt" a family in need, and collect donated food and gifts to make the season more enjoyable for receiving families. As an example, in 1975 students delivered a total of 474 baskets. These pictures show Matt Grimes and Gina Calcamuggio with their hands full, Christmas 1987, and a group of students eager to deliver their baskets in 2003.





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**H**omecoming: a pretty girl, a nice car, the latest fashion, then sprinkle in the band, an appreciative crowd, a few floats, and, oh yes, a football game, and you have the perfect recipe for a memorable occasion. The custom of crowning a female Homecoming Queen apparently began in the 1930s, and was associated with the annual Waite-Scott football game. A dance called the Varsity Drag was held the night before the game with the Queen crowned at the mass meeting or pep rally earlier in the day.

With the ending of the Waite-Scott Thanksgiving Day game in November 1962, the celebration was moved to a designated homecoming game, followed by a dance, of course, sometime in October. In recent years a "Coming Home" celebration has been held in which a male King and Court are selected. Also, a Latina and an African-American Queen has been crowned in separate programs. To be chosen a Homecoming Queen is a very high honor that is voted on by fellow classmates, and it is a distinction carried on throughout the student's life. Records of Queens prior to 1942 are sparse, largely because their pictures did not appear in yearbooks. The year of the Queen's reign appearing here is according to the year of graduation.



**JOANNE TRASK, 1942.**



**NANCY FAILOR, 1952.**

Queen Nancy arrived with members of her Court, Kate Donegan and Shirley Cornelius, in a horse-drawn wagon for the Waite-Scott Thanksgiving Day game. Waite, of course, won 41-6.





**BARBARA PIERCE, 1956.**

Court members Marcia Miller, Barbara Werner, Carol Heitzman, and Jerry Williams arrived with Queen Barbara in a new 1956 Plymouth convertible.



**CATHY ANDO, 1964.**

Her Court consisted of Nancy Bright, Annette Clover, Sharon Gladieux, and Christine Johnson.



**ROSALYN HARRISON, 1965.**

The Queen appears here enthroned with her Court, from left to right, Kathy Penovich, Joyce Jakab, Sue Kansorka, and Elaine Roberts.



**MARLENE SCHULTZ, 1968.**





**CONNIE MCPHERSON, 1972.**

With an umbrella, the Queen braves the rain during her ceremonial parade. They don't call them floats for nothing.



**CAROLYN WOFFORD,  
1975**

She was Waite's first Queen of African-American heritage, and is being escorted here by Gabe Rodriguez.



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**TAMMY LORTON, 1988.**

The Queen is dancing with future King Gary Thompson.



**LAUREN SNEED, 2008.**

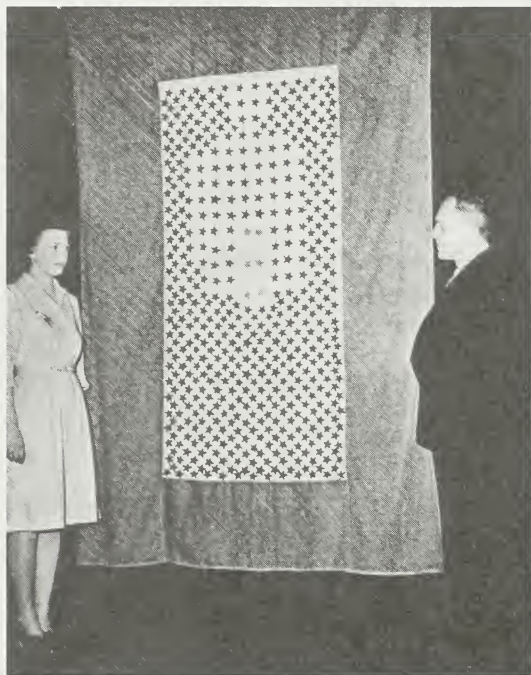
Queen Lauren is pictured here with escort Jacob Jude.

1978	Terri Wood
1979	Sandy Studer
1980	Teresa Haines
1981	Dawn Petruney
1982	Jill Bush
1983	Lisa Hockaday
1984	Jackie Emch
1985	Angie Hernandez
1986	Diane Street
1987	Tracy Howell
1988	Tammy Lorton
1989	Mary Brucker
1990	Kerrie Lee
1991	Tamara Peacock
1992	Alea Reda
1993	Josephine Ahumada
1994	Zulema Rameriz
1995	Chantelle Romstadt
1996	Amy Hock
1997	Robin Day
1998	Melissa Rill
1999	Terri Grier
2000	Holly Gage
2001	Verna Wilson
2002	Kelly Basden
2003	Kelly Miller
2004	Andrea Padilla
2005	Holly Gross
2006	Whitney Pulse
2007	Emily Schwartz
2008	Lauren Sneed
2009	Miranda Garcia
2010	Natalia Garcia
2011	Jasmine Hamdan
2012	Elicia Garces and Tara Distel (Tie)
2013	Taylor Grant



## MEMORIAL DAY

The Memorial Day Program, a student government activity, has been a tradition at Waite for nearly a century. The first was held in 1916. The program honors all former Waite students who have served in the military with special emphasis on honoring those who gave their lives in service to their country. A special effort is made to ensure that Gold Star Mothers are able to attend this solemn event. It is one of the traditions carried on through the years that strengthens the bonds felt by generations of Waite students.



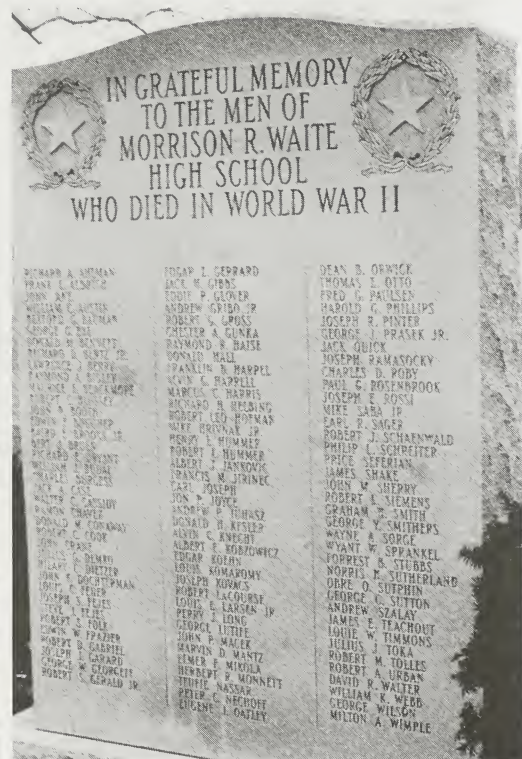
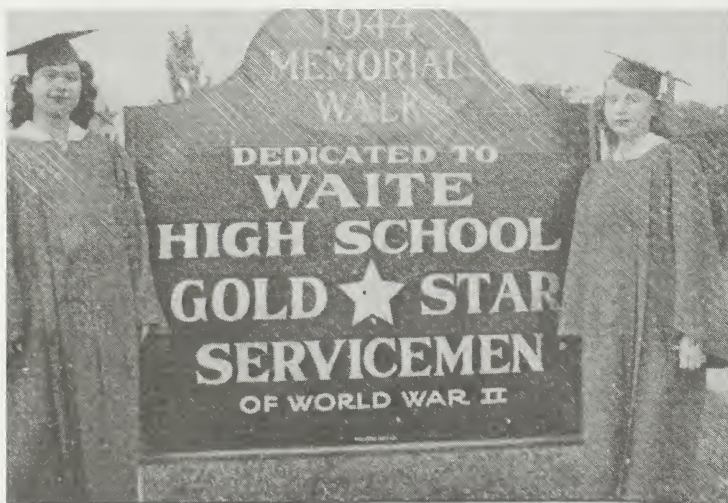
**WAITE HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE FLAG, DEDICATED NOVEMBER 11, 1943**

Here Mildred Weeks and principal Philip Conser view the honor flag to which a star was added for each student who served in the war.

The early 1940s were heavily affected by World War II. The 1943 Purple and Gold reported that "Twenty-eight seniors and thirteen juniors have left during this current school year and many more will be called within the next few months." Boys were called up on their eighteenth birthday. Because so many Waite students served in the war, and a large number would lose their lives for their country, the school first dedicated a flag in 1943, then a Memorial Walk in 1944, and in 1950 the Memorial Monument was erected. In 2004, the monument was moved closer to the school to become part of the new Memorial Plaza. The Memorial Day ceremony is held in the auditorium, and then adjourns to the front lawn for the laying of the wreath at the monument.

### MEMORIAL WALK AND MEMORIAL MONUMENT.

A Memorial Walk (below) was dedicated to Gold Star servicemen in 1944. Later, after the war, a granite monument was dedicated on May 27, 1950, which listed all Waite students who had fallen during World War II. The names of those who gave their lives in later wars have been added to the monument.







**MEMORIAL DAY  
SERVICE, 1951.**

The Korean War was raging and World War II was only six years distant when this photograph was taken. Active members of the military participated, and the students' faces reflect the somber nature of the occasion.

**MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM,  
1986.**

Senator John Glenn, a national hero as the first astronaut to orbit the earth in 1962, is seen here as the keynote speaker at the Memorial Day service. Mike Wilkins, then president of student council and later active in the alumni association, is standing next to Senator Glenn.





IN MEMORIAM

VIET NAM

Michael Brunner  
Cary Burnett  
Barry Hambleton  
Terry Hart  
Larry R. Hill

David Killian  
Thomas Moon  
Mike Nottage  
Richard S. Patterson  
Jack Schober

Gary Snyder  
Larry Snyder  
Willie Tucker  
Gordon Uhler

GERMANY — Donald Dake      KOREAN CONFLICT — Louis Petro

WORLD WAR II

Richard Ahlman  
Frank E. Aldrich  
John Ane  
William C. Austin  
Rexford G. Bauman  
George G. Bee  
Donald M. Bennett  
Richard D. Bentz, Jr.  
Lawrence J. Berry  
Raymond A. Bigley  
Maurice E. Blackmore  
Robert C. Blosssey  
John R. Booth  
Edwin F. Bougher  
Baird E. Brooks, Jr.  
Bert J. Bruen  
Richard E. Bryant  
William J. Budai  
Charles Burgess  
Jack A. Case  
Walter Cassiday  
Ramon Chavez  
Donald M. Conaway  
Robert C. Cook  
John Crane  
Julius G. Demko  
Hilary C. Dietzer  
John F. Dochterman  
Louis C. Feher  
Joseph S. Fejes  
Steve J. Fejes  
Robert S. Folk  
Edwin W. Frazier  
Robert D. Gabriel  
Joseph J. Garard  
George W. Georgeff  
Robert S. Gerald, Jr.

Edgar L. Gerrard  
Jack H. Gibbs  
Eddie R. Glover  
Andrew Gripe, Jr.  
Robert G. Gross  
Chester A. Gunka  
Raymond R. Haise  
Donald Hall  
Franklin B. Harpel  
Alvin C. Harrell  
Marcus C. Harris  
Richard H. Helbing  
Robert Leo Hofman  
Mike Hrivnak, Jr.  
Henry L. Hummer  
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Albert J. Jankovic  
Francis M. Jirinec  
Carl Joseph  
Jon P. Joyce  
Andrew P. Juhasz  
Donald H. Kesler  
Alvin C. Knecht  
Albert D. Kobzowicz  
Edgar Koehn  
Louis Komaromy  
Joseph Kovacs  
Robert LaCourse  
Louis E. Larsen, Jr.  
Perry E. Long  
George Lutife  
John P. Macek  
Marvin D. Mantz  
Elmer F. Mikola  
Herbert R. Monnett  
Teufie Nassar  
Peter C. Nechoff  
Eugene J. Oatley

Dean B. Orwick  
Thomas E. Otto  
Fred G. Paulsen  
Harold G. Phillips  
Joseph R. Pinter  
George J. Prasek, Jr.  
Jack Quick  
Joseph Ramasocky  
Charles D. Roby  
Paul G. Rosenbrook  
Joseph E. Rossi  
Mike Saba, Jr.  
Earl Sager  
Robert J. Schaenwald  
Phillip L. Schreiter  
Price Seferian  
James Shake  
John M. Sherry  
Robert L. Siemans  
Graham H. Smith  
George Y. Smithers  
Wayne A. Sorge  
Wyant Sprankel  
Forrest B. Stubbs  
Norris H. Sutherland  
Obre O. Sutphin  
George C. Sutton  
Andrew Szalay  
James E. Teachout  
Louie W. Timmons  
Julius J. Toka  
Robert M. Tolles  
Robert A. Urban  
David R. Walter  
William K. Webb  
George Wilson  
Milton A. Wimple

NAMES ON THE WAITE MEMORIAL MONUMENT.



**GOLD STAR MOTHERS, 1998.**

These mothers of sons who died in military service are escorted by members of the Waite class of 1998 at the Memorial Day program.



# ATHLETICS

## *We Will Fight for Old Waite High School*

### INTRODUCTION

What a proud tradition of championship athletic teams Waite has had since it opened a century ago. Waite-Scott football games used to draw thousands of spectators on Thanksgiving Day. Some of those gridiron teams under legendary coaches Don McAllister and Jack Mollenkopf played for state titles or even mythical national high school championships. Early football teams would travel as far away as New York, Chicago, or even Texas. From the early 1920s to 1963, Waite won or tied for nearly twenty city football championships.

Over the years, Waite has also enjoyed many title-winning teams in basketball, baseball, track, cross country, hockey, and wrestling, as well as outstanding swimming, tennis, golf, and volleyball teams. Among those exceptional teams are the Harold Anderson coached basketball teams of the 1930s, the state championship cross country teams of the early 1950s, hockey teams in the 1990s, the wrestling squads in the 2000s, and some great baseball and tennis teams of the 1960s, along with many other examples that could be mentioned. Also, since Title IX was enacted in the early 1970s, Waite has fielded many excellent women's teams, such as the recent girls' basketball championship squads led by Shareese Ulis and Natasha Howard.

1st Game in the New Waite Bowl — September 29, 1917 (Waite 38 Monroe 0)



#### **DEFENDING THEIR NEW HOUSE. WAITE BOWL, SEPTEMBER 29, 1917.**

This intimidating group of players from the leather helmet era are ready to play the first game in the Waite Bowl, which would be a 38-0 thumping of Monroe, Michigan. There was canvas screening across the front of the school meant to encourage paid attendance. Note also the lack of spectator seating in those days when everyone "stood to honor Alma Mater."



## SPORTS FACILITIES

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Few high schools in the whole country can boast of better athletic facilities than Waite's Mollenkopf Stadium and Grant Murray Field House. In the early days, Waite played football at Scott High School or at the old armory grounds at Cherry and Spielbusch until the bowl was drained in the late teens. The Waite Bowl was once part of the Duck Creek Swale, a long muddy ravine running from near Euclid and First Street through the high school grounds and Hecky's Pond all the way out to what is now the water plant and on to Maumee Bay. When the bowl was drained, tile was installed to help keep it from flooding, making the field more playable for football and now for Waite's baseball teams.

Waite played its first football game in the bowl on September 29, 1917, beating Monroe, Michigan, 38-0. Excitement generated by Waite's very successful teams, which drew large crowds in the mid-1920s, fueled the desire for a new stadium. Disappointing teams in the late-twenties and then the beginning of the Great Depression in 1929 slowed progress toward a new facility. The Depression era recovery programs, however, presented an opportunity, and with the beginning of the Works Progress Administration (WPA), construction was started.

The new stadium was completed in the fall of 1934 at a cost approximately \$200,000. The Waite High School Athletic Association's portion of the debt, \$30,410, was paid off by the early 1950s. The cast concrete structure is among the finest high school stadiums in the country, one of only three totally enclosed stadiums in Ohio. The home stands are fully constructed of concrete, and the visitor bleachers were hand carried across East Broadway from the old stadium in the bowl. Waite Stadium was dedicated on September 13, 1934, in a game against Mooseheart, Illinois. Later it was named for Coach Jack Mollenkopf who went on to become head coach at Purdue in 1947.

In 2007, a significant remodeling of Mollenkopf Stadium was completed, to which the Waite Alumni Association contributed over \$300,000 to the \$1.5 million cost. Improvements to the stadium included structural repairs, a new concession stand and restrooms located at the far end of the stadium toward the practice fields, and new locker rooms built under the home stands. A plaza was also added that contains the names of donors and honored Waite supporters. The alumni refurbished the press box and named it for the late Andy Toth, a former Waite player. There is no better place to pass an enjoyable autumn evening.

Since 1968, Waite's baseball teams have called the bowl their home, and it is now known as Memorial Field in honor of those students who gave their lives in military service. Recent improvements have included a new fenced field, along with a batting cage and dugouts. Before this, Waite teams practiced behind the stadium near the football practice field and played their games at Ravine Park.

Waite's beautiful field house was patterned after a similar structure at Baldwin Wallace University. It was dedicated at a game with Massillon on January 26, 1954. Once the field house opened, Waite basketball teams no longer had to play in the cramped old girls' gym that had little room for spectators. The gym with its banked running track above was considered state-of-the-art when the school was built in 1914, but at that time sports were much less prominent and the game of basketball had only just been invented in the 1890s. It was renamed in honor of East Sider, Grant Murray, a long-time Waite supporter and former member of the Board of Education. Now Grant Murray Field House hosts teams from all over the region and is home for many other sporting events as well.

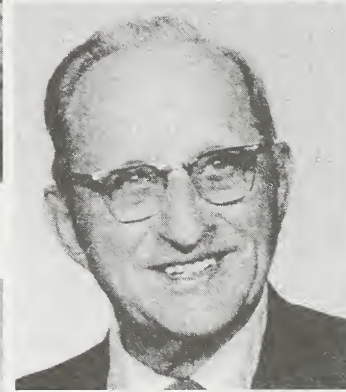




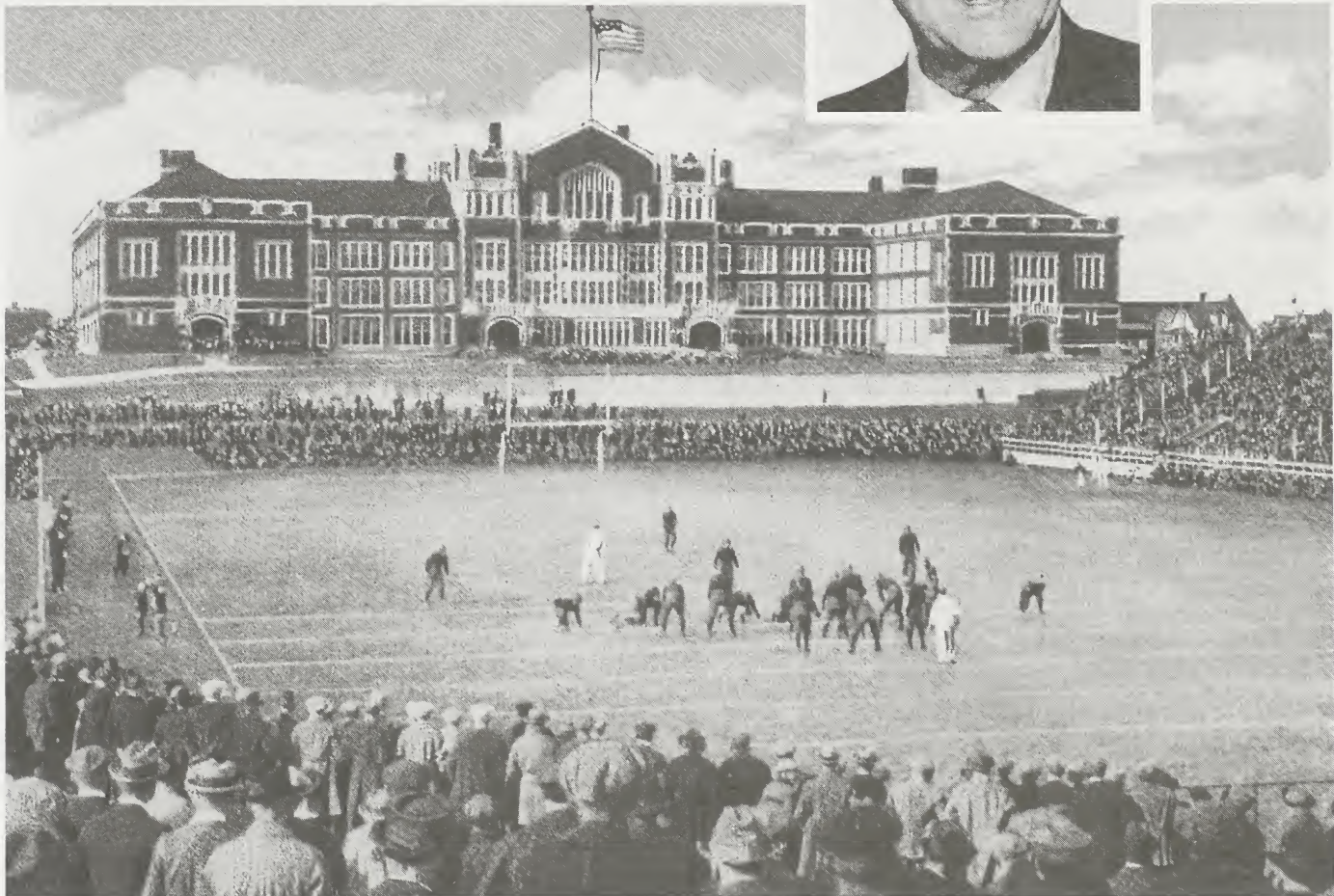


**FAKE HAND OFF. JACK MOLLENKOPF, GRANT MURRAY, AND RED SNIDER, 1930S.**

This photo shows three important figures in Waite's athletic history: Coach Mollenkopf, for whom the stadium is named; a bemused Grant Murray, the namesake of the field house; and football star Red Snider, a prominent member of Waite's Athletic Hall of Fame.



**DR. VERNE LECHNER**  
Quarterback of  
Waite's First  
Football Team



**ONE-TWO-THREE-HIKE! AN EARLY GAME IN THE WAITE BOWL**

This familiar photo, probably of a Thanksgiving Day game against Scott, gives an idea of the crowds who packed the bowl for those important games.





**WAITE BOWL, VIEW NORTHWEST, 1920S.**

This old photograph gives a better indication of the size of the stands in the bowl. East Broadway runs along the right side of the photo, and the future site of the field house is the open area beyond the bleachers. The houses on East Broadway and Mott Street still stand, and the large building in the faded distance is the old rolling mill on Front Street where the Edison Acme plant would soon be built.



**FROM FOOTBALL TO BASEBALL.  
WAITE BOWL, 2006.**

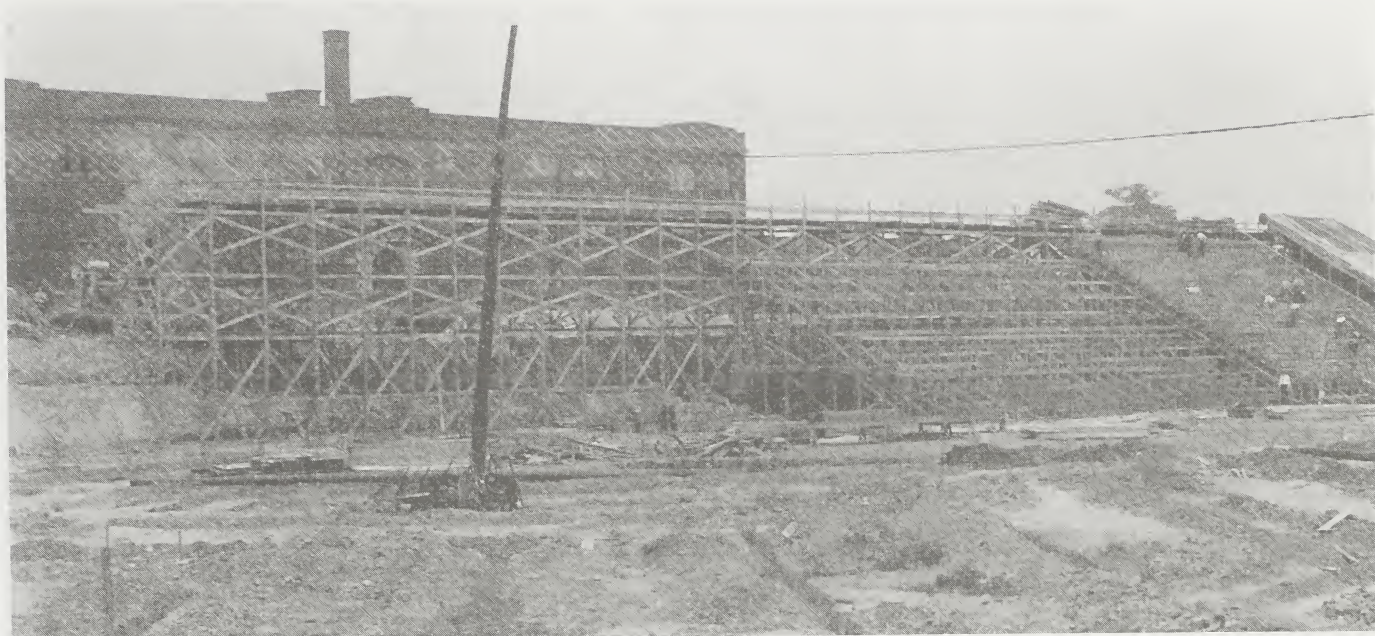
A similar view as in the top photo shows the Waite Bowl, where baseball has been played since 1968, and a soccer field at the right. Today, the soccer goals are gone, and the baseball diamond is fenced in. The field house is seen here, and the Edison plant, now demolished, appears in the background.

**OLD STADIUM ENTRANCE, 2009.**

In this picture, looking from Morrison Drive toward Mollenkopf Stadium, the improvements to the baseball field can be seen. The concrete pillars in the foreground are remnants of the gate and turnstile for the original football stadium, and they are at least 90 years old.

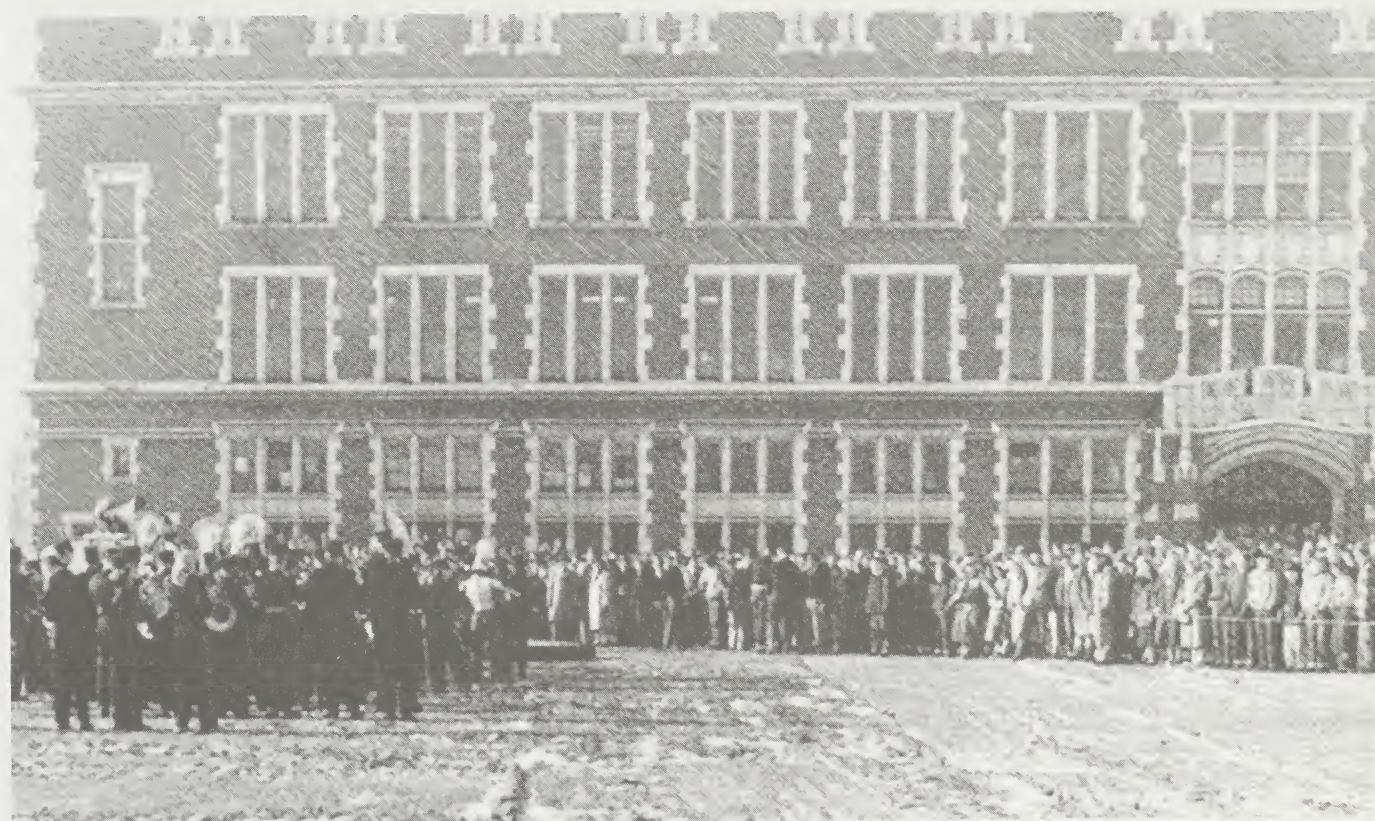






**BE CAREFUL WHERE YOU SIT. WAITE STADIUM CONSTRUCTION, MAY 31, 1934.**

A detailed look during the construction of the stadium is visible in this view northwest toward the old Garfield Elementary School. The project was built mostly by hand by Depression era WPA workers.



**CUE THE BAND. GROUND-BREAKING CEREMONY FOR THE WAITE FIELD HOUSE, 1953.**

Soon there would never again be an unobstructed view like this of the north wing of the school where the field house now stands. The girls' gym, which the field house would largely replace, is on the second and third floor of the building in this picture.





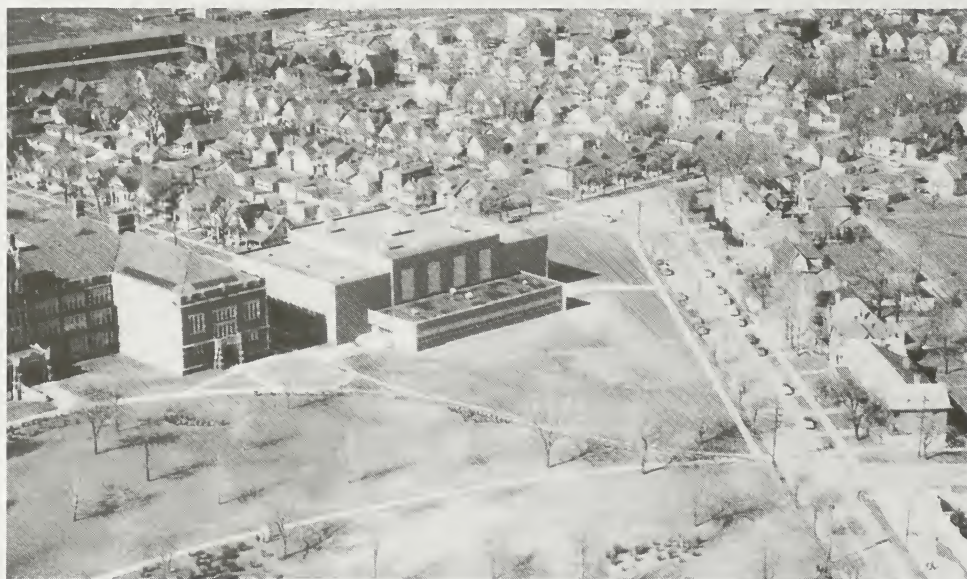
**NOT YET READY FOR BASKETBALL. VIEW NORTH TOWARD EAST BROADWAY, 1953.**

Construction of the new Waite Field House was just beginning when this photograph was taken. The houses along East Broadway look much the same today. Garfield Elementary can be seen in the background between the houses.



**HAIL TO THE CHIEF. INDIAN STATUE PRESENTED AT THE DEDICATION OF THE FIELD HOUSE, 1954.**

The reaction of Principal Conser is unclear, but the tall warrior certainly appears intimidating. In 1930-1931, the name for Waite's sports teams was changed from the Golden Tornadoes to the Waite Indians.



**NEW WAITE FIELD HOUSE, 1954.**

This aerial view looks northwest toward the field house shortly after its completion. It nicely complements the main building and remains one of the premier indoor athletic facilities in the area. East Broadway is seen at the right, and Front Street runs across the top of the photo.





**WAITE CAMPUS. AERIAL VIEW, NORTHEAST, 1961.**

Waite's outstanding school and athletic facilities appear clearly in this sharp aerial view. Second Street still runs across the bottom of the picture before the Skill Center was built, and the practice field at the top can be seen in the ravine beyond the stadium.



**STADIUM MEMORIAL PLAZA, 2007.**

The \$1.5 million renovation of the stadium was completed in 2007, and this plaza that is dedicated to those who have supported Waite athletics was an important part of the project. The view is south toward the East Broadway wall of the stadium.



# WAITE'S ATHLETIC DIRECTORS: 1914-2014

## Athletic Directors



**Fred Hiss**  
1st Athletic Director



**Thomas Moore**  
2nd Athletic Director



**James Pollock**  
3rd Athletic Director



**Fred Klag**  
4th Athletic Director



**George Pearsall**  
5th Athletic Director



**Jack Mollenkopf**  
6th Athletic Director



**Frank Pauly**  
7th Athletic Director



**Les Binkley**  
8th Athletic Director



**Jim Jones**  
9th Athletic Director



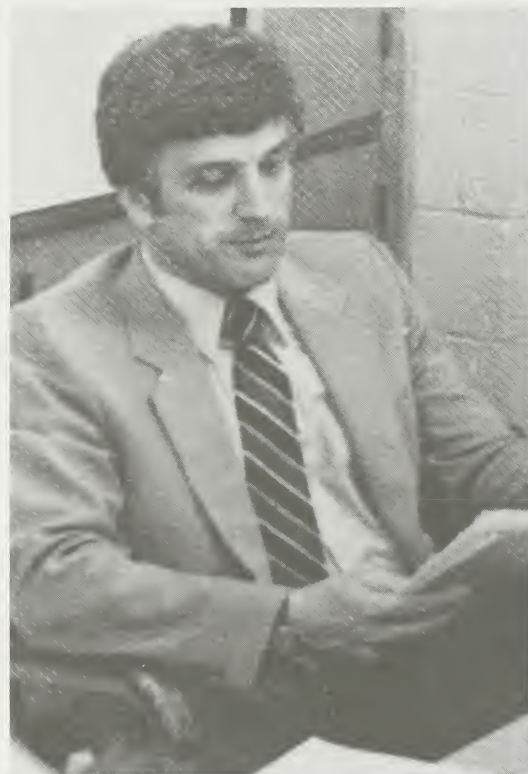
**Jim Casper**  
10th Athletic Director



**Chet LaBuda**  
11th Athletic Director

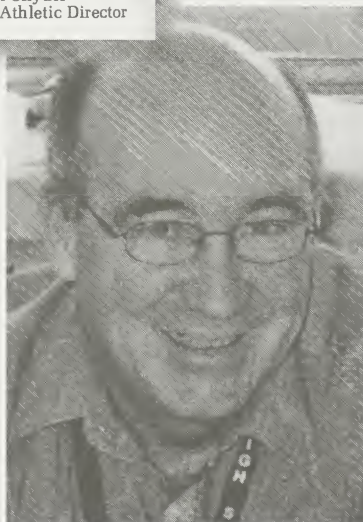


**Doran Snyder**  
12th Athletic Director



**BILL NOPPER**  
13th Athletic Director

**BOB UTTER**  
14th Athletic Director



**CRISTINA LORTON**  
15th Athletic Director



Throughout the one hundred years of Waite High School, fifteen individuals have held the position of athletic director. In the early years, the position was a voluntary unpaid job whose major responsibility was arranging games for football and basketball, and serving as treasurer. A student manager would sometimes assist the director. As the complexity of the job and the number of teams grew, the work evolved into a full-time position. The present athletic director, Cristina Lorton, is the only woman to have held the position.

#### WAITE'S ATHLETIC DIRECTORS: 1914-2014

1ST ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Fred Hiss
2ND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Thomas Moore
3RD ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	James Pollock who became Principal
4TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Fred Klag who was on Waite's original faculty
5TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	George Pearsall who headed Waite stadium drive & was long term faculty member
6TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Jack Mollenkopf stadium namesake, football coach and later, head coach of Purdue University
7TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Frank Pauly who was a former Waite lineman and dean of students
8TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Les Binkley who was a football coach and head of Toledo Public Schools Pupil Personnel
9TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Jim Jones who was later principal and administrator at many Toledo schools
10TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	James Casper who became principal of Ottawa Hills High School
11TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Chet LaBuda who became assistant principal at Waite & Woodward
12TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Doran Snyder to become administrator in TPS and first principal of Toledo Christian
13TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Bill Nopper a longtime athletic director and later assistant director of athletics in TPS, Commissioner of Toledo City League
14TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Bob Utter who was a former city league athlete, coach at Cardinal Stritch and long time athletic leader
15TH ATHLETIC DIRECTOR	Cristina Lorton, Waite athletic star, coach and first female athletic director



## WAITE'S COACHES

This Gallery of Coaches from *The Years of the Indian* in 1980 highlights some of the many excellent coaches who have led Waite teams during the school's first century. Many other names could be added to this list as well.

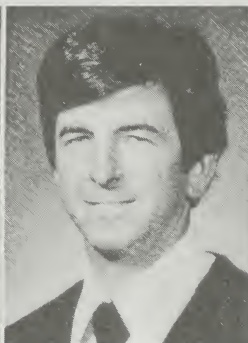
### Coaches Gallery



Harold Anderson  
Head Basketball



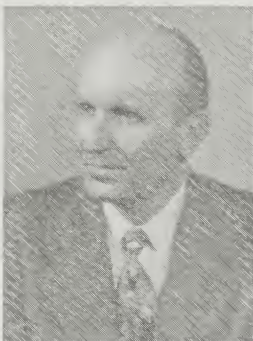
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Head Football



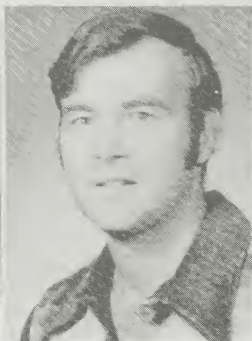
Fred Clement  
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Claire Dunn  
Football Assistant



Bill Feters  
Head BB, C. Country



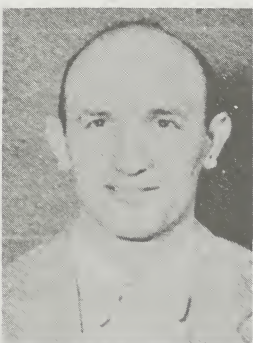
Phil Gross  
Ice Hockey



George Konner  
Football Assistant



Don McCallister  
Head Football



Dan Marazon  
Head Bowling



Lou Meszaros  
Head Football



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Jack O'Connell  
Head Basketball





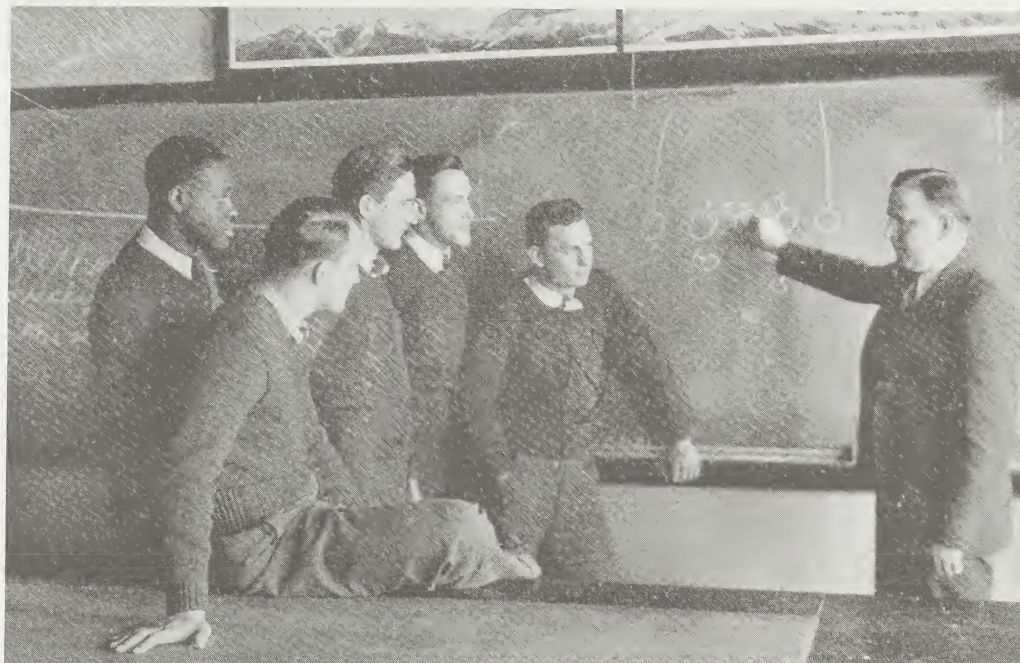
**UP AGAINST THE WALL.**

Russ Morse, captain of the 1932 football team, confers here with head coach Don McAllister (left) and assistant coach Frank Pauly, who was an excellent teacher and coach at Waite throughout a long career. As a measure of Waite's national football prominence, Coach McAllister left to become head coach at the University of South Carolina.



**JACK MOLLENKOPF.**

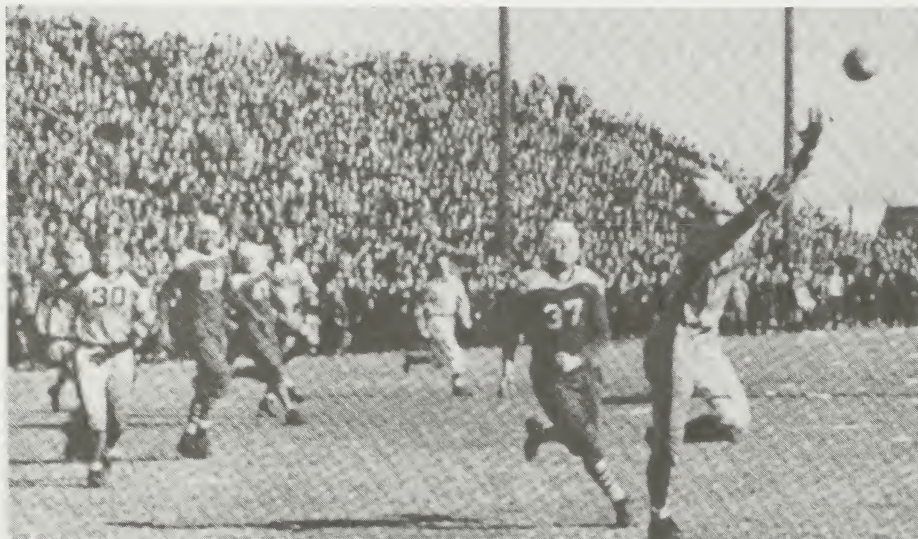
A very successful football coach during the late 1930s and 1940s, he left Waite to become head coach at Purdue.



**CHALK TALK, ABOUT 1933.**

Coach McAllister, who established Waite as a state and national football power in the 1930s, diagrams what appears to be a rare pass play in this posed photograph with some of his players. He was recruited from Florida by influential members of the East Toledo Club. Floyd Wright, an outstanding running back seen here at the left, was not allowed to play due to segregation when the team traveled to Miami, Florida, in 1933.



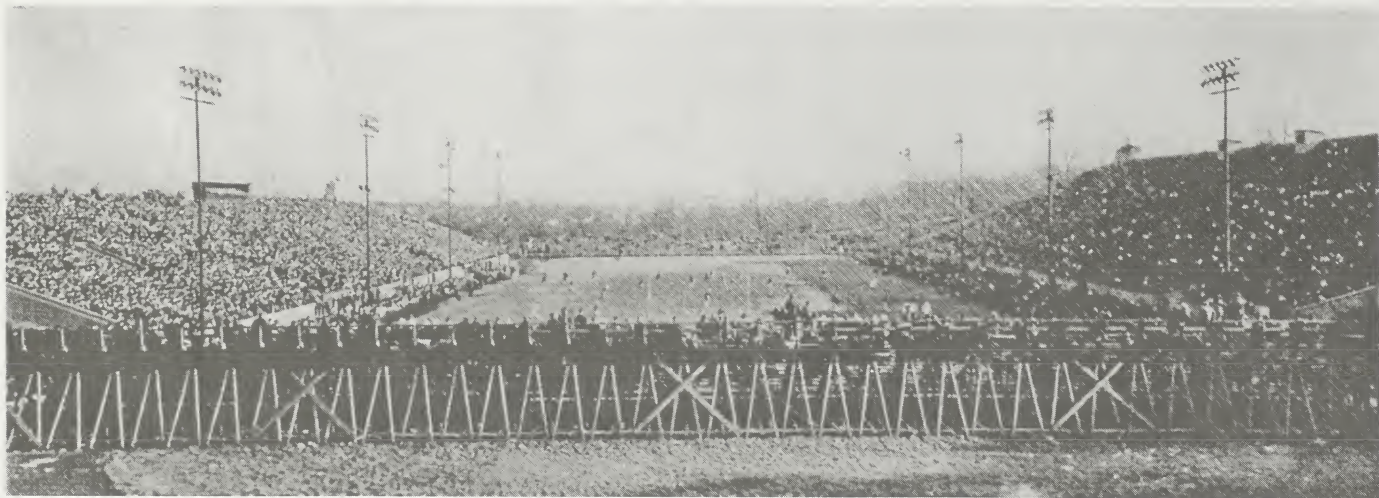


**STRETCH! EARLY WAITE FOOTBALL GAME.**

No, this is not "The Catch" by Dwight Clark from Joe Montana, but illustrates a pass play that was still not often used in early games. The forward pass was more or less invented by Knute Rockne and quarterback Gus Dorais of Notre Dame when they worked as lifeguards on the beaches of Cedar Point before World War I. It was little used by most teams, but catapulted Notre Dame into national football prominence.

**WINNING FIELD GOAL, OHIO STADIUM, DECEMBER 2, 1939.**

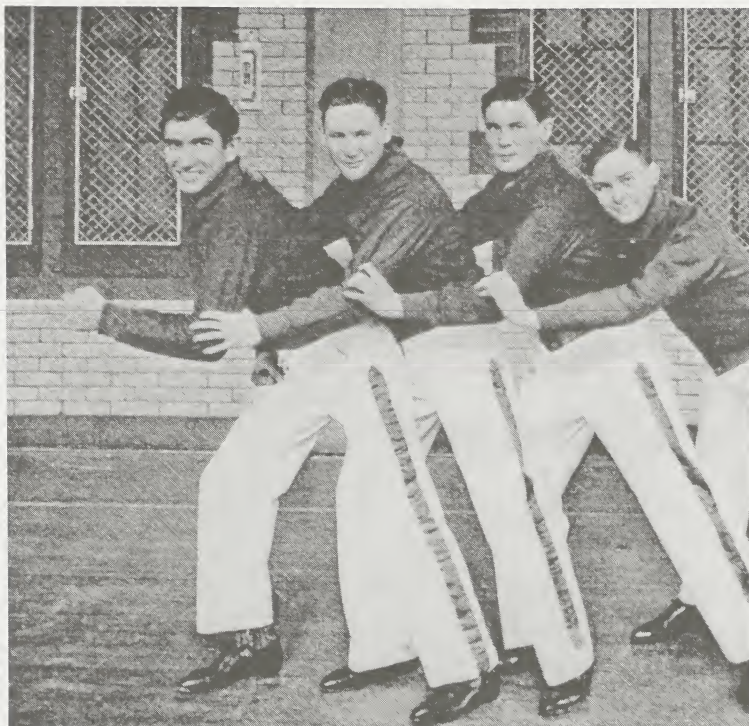
This is sometimes considered the most important play in the history of Waite football. The ball is just a blur as it leaves Bob Wolff's foot (at right) with 32 seconds left in the game. His field goal through the December mist gave Waite a 9-7 victory over Portsmouth, an undefeated season, and a State High School Championship.



**OPENING KICK-OFF. WAITE VS. CANTON LINCOLN, 1945.**

The Indians and the Canton Lincoln Lions played to a 0-0 tie in this State Championship game at Canton's legendary Fawcett Stadium before 21,000 fans.





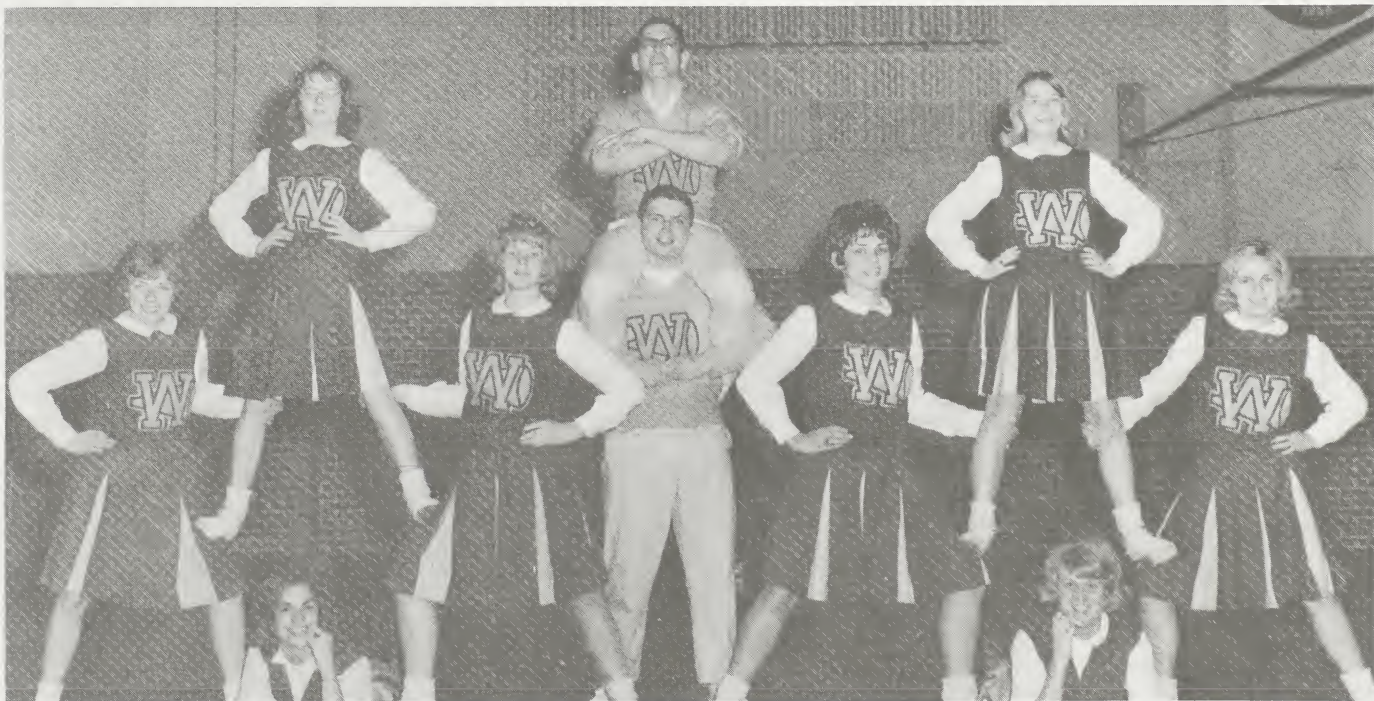
#### MALE CHEERLEADERS.

Prior to the mid-1950s, the Indians were led by mostly male cheerleading squads. Here the squad from 1938-1939 enacts its famous "locomotive" cheer.



#### WAITE VARSITY CHEERLEADERS, 1997-1998.

No guys are pictured here, but the several alluring coeds appear capable of leading the cheers.



#### WAITE CHEERLEADERS, 1965.

Things improved dramatically, and teams were no doubt more inspired, when female cheerleaders came on the scene. The 1964-1965 varsity squad had two men and eight attractive young ladies. Bottom: Cathy Fick, Sue Kansorka. Middle: Janice Baumgartner, Sue Kontak, Dan Reihing, Kathy Penovich, Sandy Parks. Top: Sharon Harpel, Paul Rae, Sue Schimmel.





**HAROLD ANDERSON. OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AND BASKETBALL COACH.**

Anderson learned the game at the old Toledo Central when it was the only high school in town. He coached at Waite and developed some outstanding teams in the 1930s, and then went on to a Hall of Fame coaching career at Bowling Green State University. His long involvement with the game went from the center jump ball days to the modern fast break era. Anderson Arena at Bowling Green is named in his honor.



**SOME GENTLE WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.  
COACH JACK O'CONNELL, ABOUT 1970.**

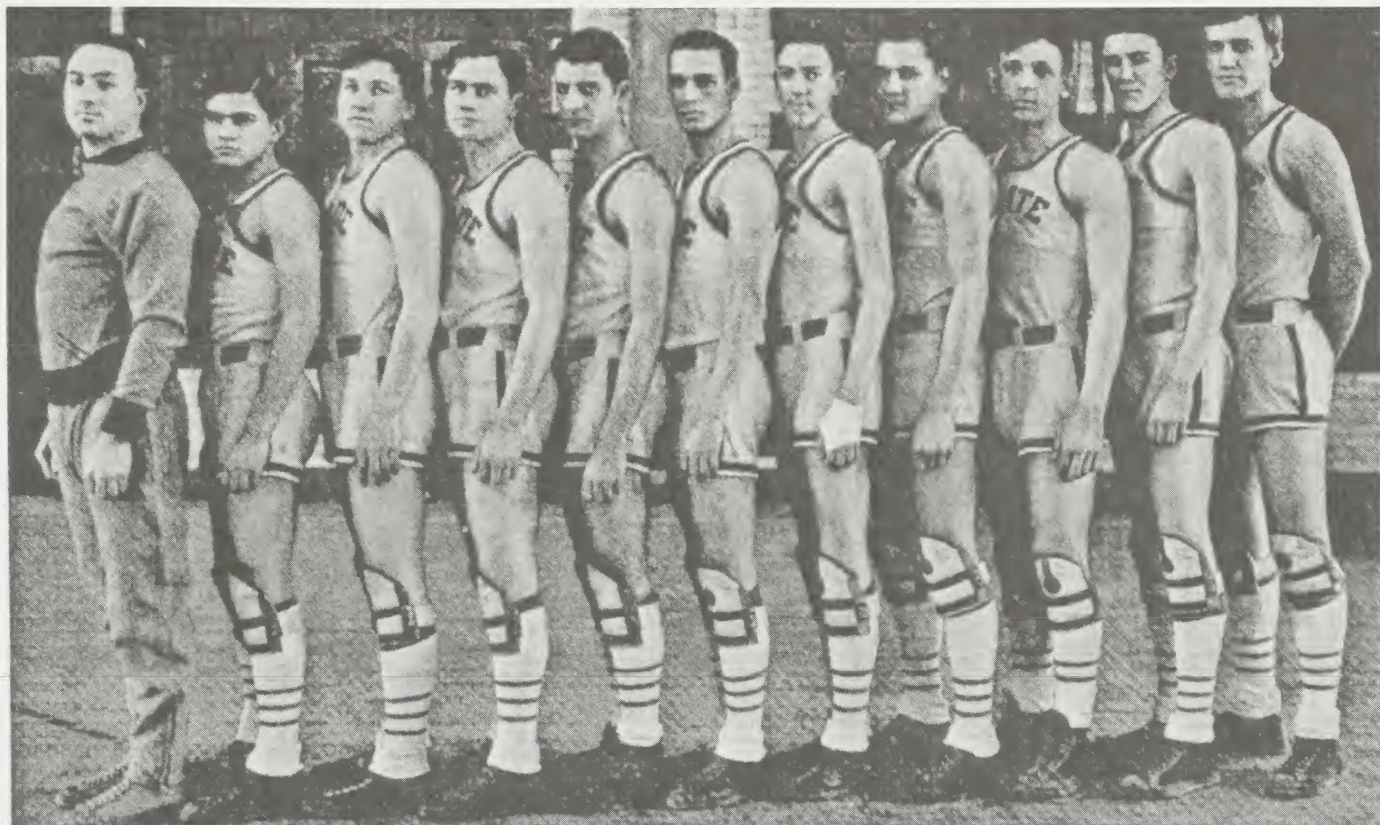
Mr. O'Connell was an excellent teacher and a mentor to many students, both male and female. He also coached basketball and tennis. During his tenure in the 1960s and 1970s he had some very good basketball teams, and likewise, his tennis teams won district titles.



**OKAY, LET'S MAKE SOME SHOTS.  
COACH DICK KUZMA, ABOUT 1980.**

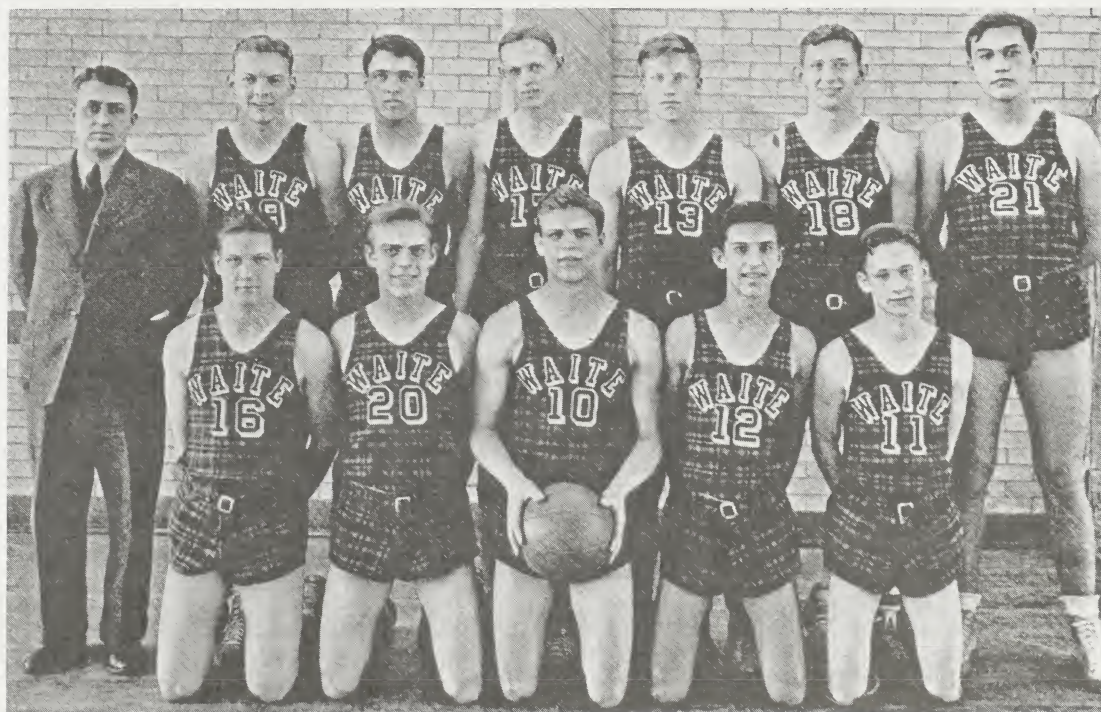
He led the Waite roundballers during the 1970s and 1980s. Coach Kuzma emphasized fundamentals and his teams were always very well coached.





**LINE UP ACCORDING TO HEIGHT. WAITE VARSITY BASKETBALL TEAM, 1930.**

This Waite team, coached by the great Harold Anderson at the left, lost a close city championship game 16-11 to Libbey at the then new Toledo University Field House. The knee pads on all the players indicate they were expected to scrap for loose balls. Winning scores during this time rarely topped thirty points. Left to right: Anderson, Lutife, Patterson, Ondrus, Nessif, Murphy, Willard, Tschog, Morse, Rutter, Holland.



**SNAZZY SCOTCH-PLAID UNIFORMS. WAITE BASKETBALL TEAM, 1938.**

This team finished second in the city league race, unable to bring the previously-won championship back to Waite. They did beat Clay 37-28. Row 1: Beach, Dexter, Lepiarz, Georgeff, Sanderson. Row 2: Lamson, Brockman, Bode, Meis, Long, Martin. The coach is Art Turby, himself a legend to generations of struggling algebra students.



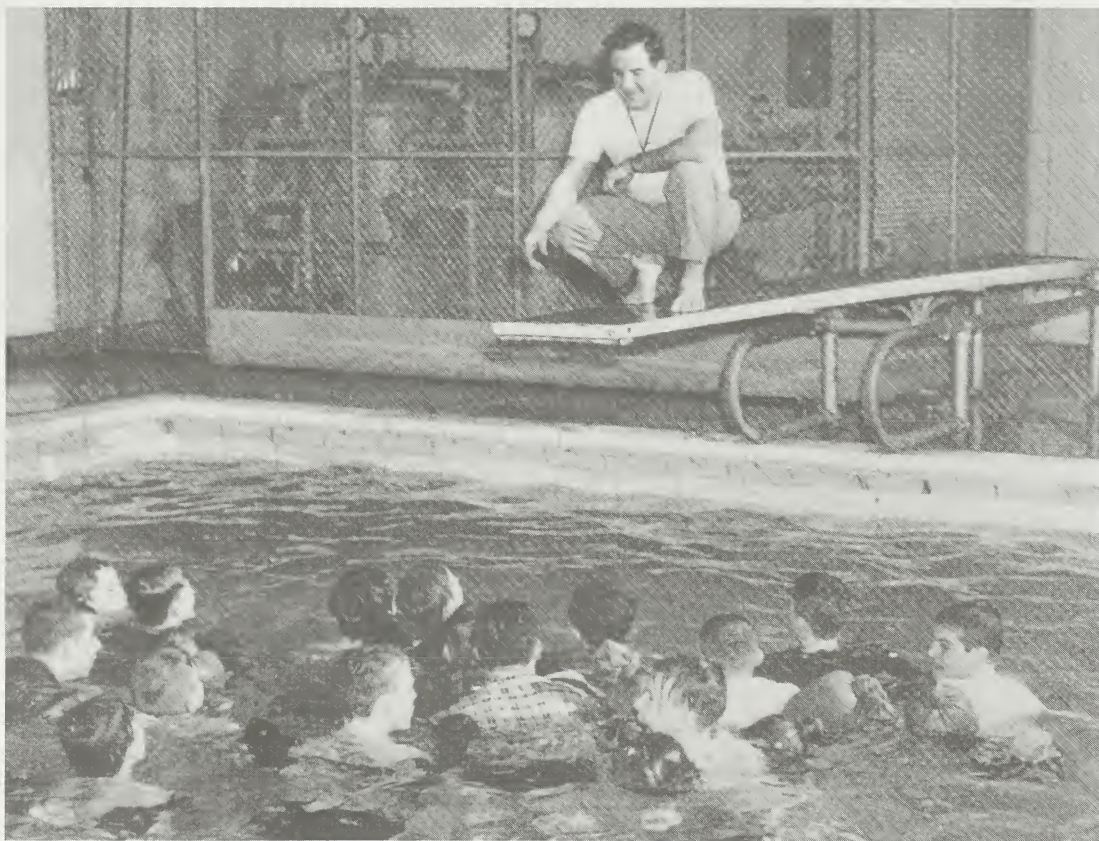


**HE SWINGS AND... BASEBALL IN THE BOWL, ABOUT 1980.**

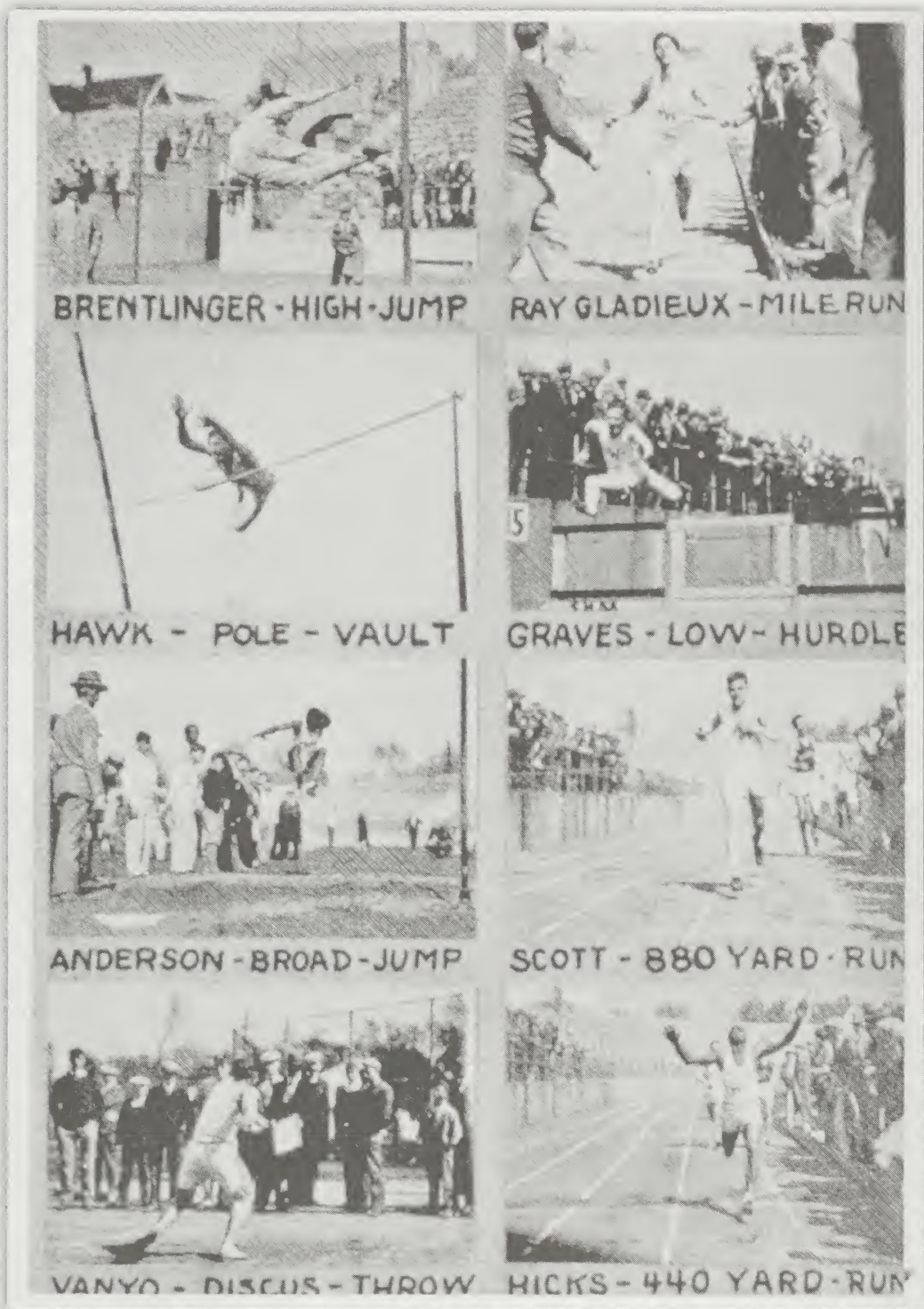
Over the years, Waite has had several championship baseball teams, and games are played in the Waite Bowl. In recent years the field has been improved with an outfield fence, dugouts, and a batting cage. As this picture attests, it is a pleasant place for spectators to watch the team play a late spring game.

**LOOKING UP TO  
THEIR COACH.  
COACH MARK  
WELKER AND WAITE  
SWIMMERS, 1961.**

Waite High School, when constructed, had many amenities not often found in other schools. In addition to its large auditorium, library, sophisticated shop areas, and laboratories, Waite had a swimming pool. It was the bane of freshmen girls who had to take swimming classes first hour. But the pool gave Waite the opportunity to have a swim team and offer many classes. Maintenance costs, however, were always high. Finally, when a large puddle of water appeared all the way down to Morrison and Second Street, the Board of Education decided to close the pool in the mid-1980s. The wrestling team now occupies the covered-over pool area, but sometimes a faint smell of chlorine can still be detected. Mr. Welker coached and taught swimming at Waite for many years.



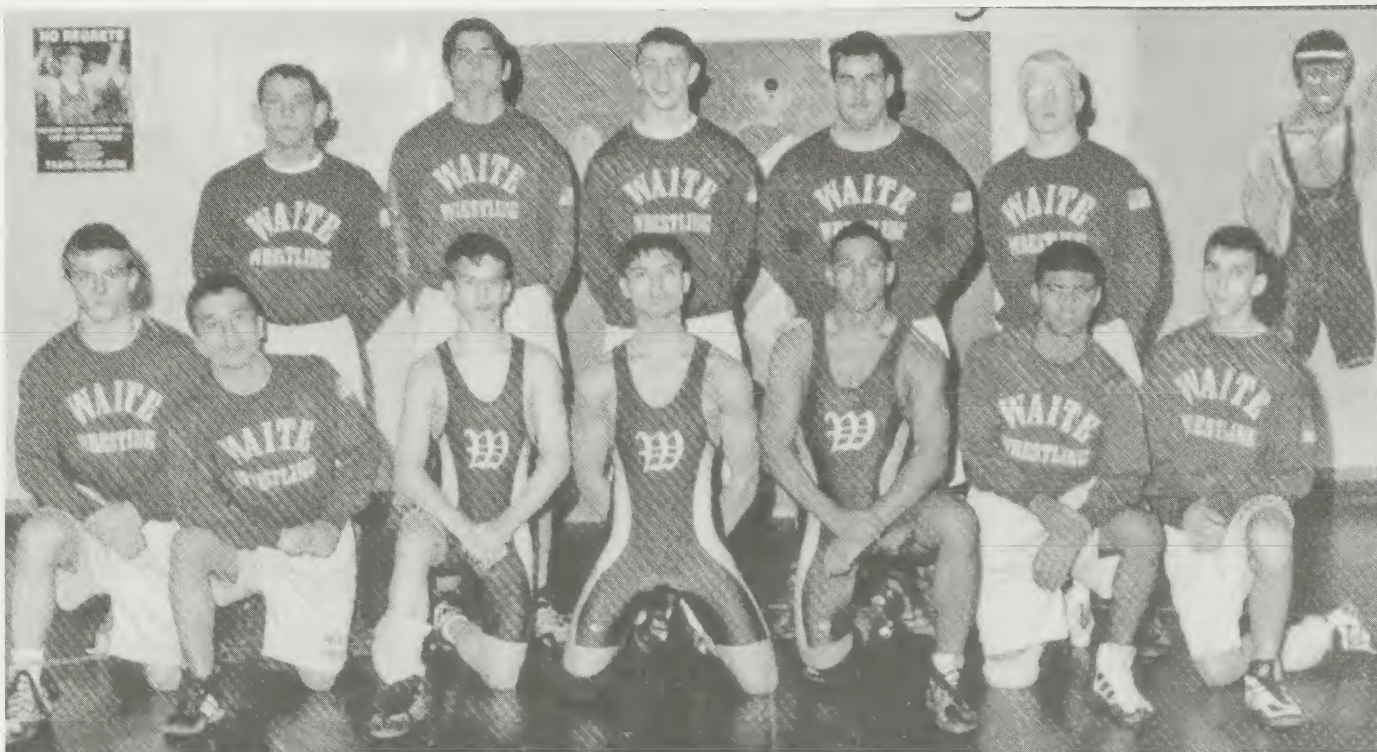




**TRACK TEAM EVENTS. WAITE CITY CHAMPIONS, 1926-1927.**

Many of the different track events appear in this early yearbook photo collage. Ray Gladieux is finishing the mile run. There are the 440 and 880 yard runs, the broad jump, the high jump, and the discus throw. It seems appropriate that a Hawk would win the pole vault, and that a Graves would be in the "low" hurdle.





**DON'T MESS WITH THESE GUYS. VARSITY WRESTLING TEAM, 2008.**

In recent years, Waite has had several strong and well-coached championship wrestling teams that have also competed well at the state level. Top: Robert Holdren, Nick Nour, A.J. Newton, Adam Messenger, Kevin Roeper. Bottom: Mike Derr, Angelo Constello, Kyle Holliday, Antonio Ramirez, Jamie Cummins, John Cummins, Josh Sneddy.



**TRYING TO STRIKE OUT. WAITE BOWLING TEAM, 1961.**

High school bowling has sometimes gone unnoticed, but Waite has produced many fine teams. This squad was coached by Dan Marazon, a long-time Waite teacher and coach. Bottom: Coach Marazon, Steve Novak—Captain, Ernie Wescotte, Mike Biedinger—Captain, Tom Berg, Phil Curry, Gene Douglas. Top: George Zimmerman, John Sweetnam—Captain, Paul Novak, Denny Penovich, Jim Eberst, Jim Power.





**SLAP SHOT. WAITE HOCKEY, 1983.**

This "shot" shows players in action during the 1983 season. Hockey is an expensive sport for high schools to sponsor, but for a time Waite had some excellent teams that competed well against the whole region.

**"FUTBOL:" THE WORLD'S MOST POPULAR SPORT.  
WAITE BOYS' SOCCER TEAM, 2003.**

Waite has fielded both boys' and girls' soccer teams for many years, and it has been a popular sport for students to participate in. Top: Juan Cotreras, Jacob Moreno, Josh Hornyak, Tyrone Pulse, Coach Boiselle. Middle: Chad Schmoldt, Mike Abraham, Scott Tristan, Mike White, Robert Sevilla, Bryan Haines. Bottom: Josh Carmona, Freddie Flores, Rudy Montez, Josh Sneyd, Tyler Moyer. (Not pictured: Edgar Palacios, Justin Wilson, Nick Yanez).





## GIRLS' SPORTS

Before girls' athletic teams were eliminated because of tight Depression era finances, Waite girls participated in a wide range of competitions, including swimming, golf, field hockey, archery, and basketball. Not until Title IX was passed in the early 1970s, however, were females again allowed "equal" representation in athletic teams. Now just as many girls participate in team sports as boys, and have won many titles as well, such as the recent runner-up for state champion girls' basketball team.

The first Boy's "W" Club was form-ed in 1927, and by 1930 the girls also had a "W" Club of their own. An early Girl's "W" Club is pictured here, along with an account of a "hilarious" weekend they had together at Reno Beach.



### Girls' "W" Club

<i>President</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Catherine Rudolph
<i>Vice President</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Helen Fuller
<i>Secretary-Treasurer</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Helen Stipes
<i>Censor</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Marthabelle McClure
<i>Reporter</i>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Marcella Withrow

The Girl's "W" Club has had a very prosperous year. It has now received its charter and all girls who have received W's may join. This year the girls presented their first mass meeting, the Friday before the Woodward game. An afternoon dance and candy sale made possible the purchase of the pins "W" girls now wear so proudly.

At each meeting of the "W" Club, a girl gave an interesting account of some sport. All the girls have profited by coming to the meetings, and enjoyed, too, such hilarious fun as comes with a "W" Girls' weekend.

- 6:30 Morning dip. Br-r-r-, the water was cold.
- 7:00 Last call for breakfast. Bacon and eggs.
- 9:00 Cabin inspection.
- 9:30 Tennis. What a close game!
- 10:30 Swim. The water was fine.
- 12:00 Lunch and an afternoon spent as individual taste dictated.
- 4:30 Swimming.
- 5:30 Dinner.
- 10:30 All lights out.

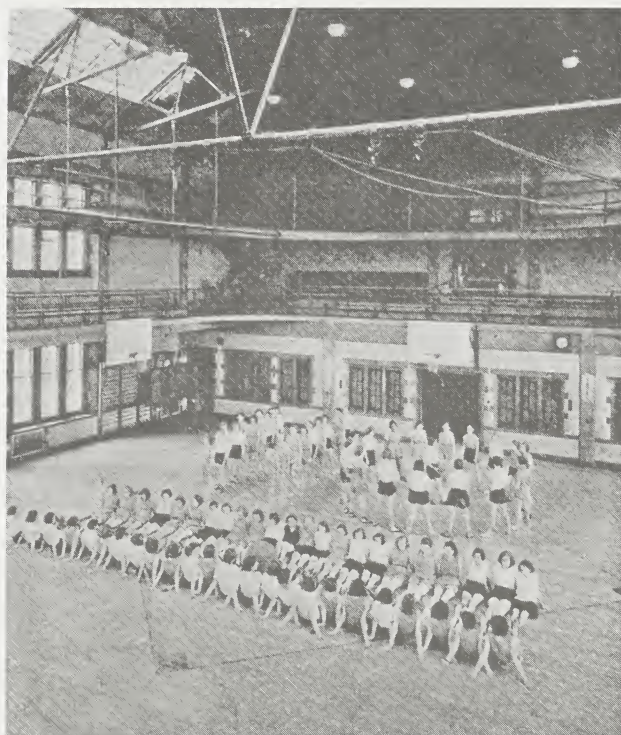
What was that all about? None other than the "W" Girls' Week-end at Reno Beach.

Miss Gottshall, Miss Tilock, Miss McClure, and Mrs. Anderson were the chaperones.



**OKAY, EVERYONE  
UNDO YOUR  
NECK-TIES. GIRLS'  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION  
CLASS, 1920.**

This yearbook photo shows the girls doing "calisthenics" in a physical education class when the school was only six years old. It appears that two teachers are watching from the balcony.



**SYNCHRONIZED EXERCISE. GIRLS' GYM, 1934-1935.**

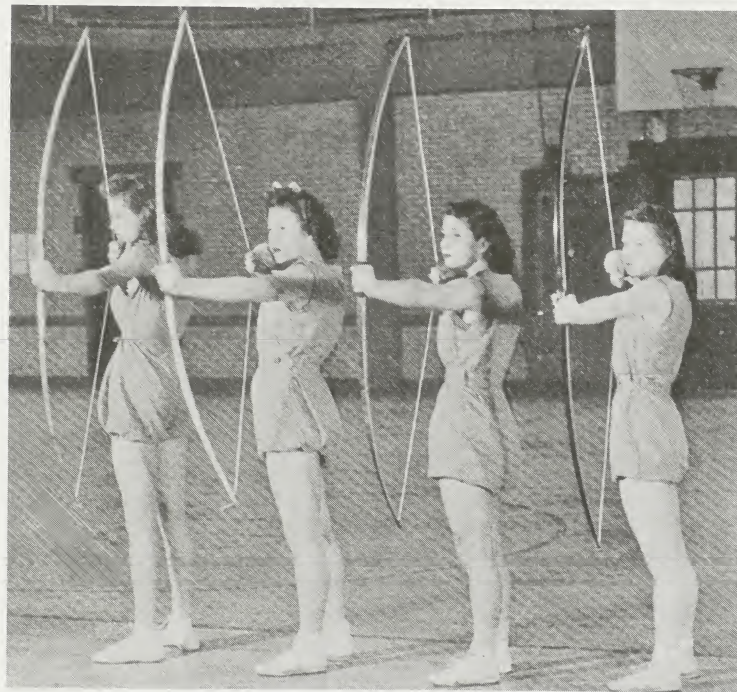
In the early days, prior to the construction of the field house, both boys and girls shared the school gymnasium (later known as the girls' gym). Note the large class sizes and the rooftop skylights that were later covered over.





### WHO IS GOING TO REBOUND? GIRLS' GYM CLASSES, 1940-1941

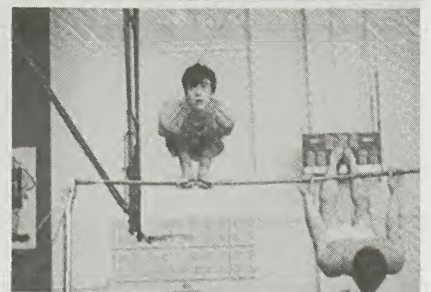
With everyone watching, there must have been a lot of pressure on the shooter. Note she is taking a two-hand set-shot when many boys were still shooting fouls from between their knees. The bottom picture shows the "correct posture for archery." It doesn't show the boys lined up against the wall with apples on their heads.



### Gymnastic Fling

During the winter of 1972 a gymnastic show was introduced at Waite. This "special" was presented and developed by the Head of Physical Education at Waite, Mr. Dave Alt. Mrs. Dorothy Johnson worked very closely with Dave and was considered his co-director. With the assistance of Dick Kuzma and Larry Bondy, P.E. instructors, a "show" was prepared and presented that grew in stature each year. The "voice" of the show was Mr. George Patterson. The promoter was Mr. Steve Contos.

The main idea of the show was to put together hundreds of students in a joint human relations effort that would help students work together and make Waite just a little bit better. Both goals were accomplished. Mrs. Dorothy Johnson devised the name of the show, and on the next several pages you will see highlights of the shows.



### FLEXIBLE STUDENTS. GYMNASTIC SHOW, 1972.

Dave Alt and Dorothy Johnson developed this special gymnastic show at Waite, in which students learned and performed some remarkable feats.





#### **GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM, 1987-1988.**

Kevin Horn (right) was the coach of this Waite team that, though inexperienced, still finished fourth in the city blue division. Mr. Horn, who just retired after a long teaching career at Waite, coached many teams that were always well conditioned and disciplined. Cris Lorton is now the current school athletic director. Front: Betty Miller, Lisa Schnabel, Cris Lorton, Tammi Sauerwein. Back: Tamara Peacock, Corina Pecina, Kelly Pratt, Amy Halasz, Karri Raines, Teresa Cantu.

#### **GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL TEAM, 1997.**

Volleyball has long been a popular fall sport for girls, and the public is welcome to attend their matches in the field house. These girls in their distinctive uniforms formed one of the many excellent teams Waite has had in recent years. Front: Tiffany Pitzen, Laura Glombowski, Amy Koepfler, Earleen Grames, Sonia Vargas. Middle: Holly Sampsell, Sarah Urban, Anna Rodriguez. Back: Amanda Colter, Jan Belcher, Jessica McCandless, Tara Petty.



#### **TENNIS, ANYONE? WAITE GIRLS' TEAM, 2007.**

A large number of girls participated, and this team did well against the city schools. Mark Dunham was an excellent math teacher, mentor, and coach at Waite for many years. Shannon Miller later won the city title at first singles, followed by Kayla May the next year. This past season, Vanessa Skouroukos won the city league as a freshman in 2013. Back: Coach Michaels, Katie Thomas, Kristy Pounders, Kaydee Strickland, Sara Leiser, Victoria Kasee, Coach Dunham. Middle: Brittany Morris, Maryann Oden, Alexia Bailey, Kristen Miller, Joyce B, Rebecca Pena. Front: Megan Strickland, Christina Schmoldt, Shannon Miller, Patricia Castillo, Kristi Meadows.



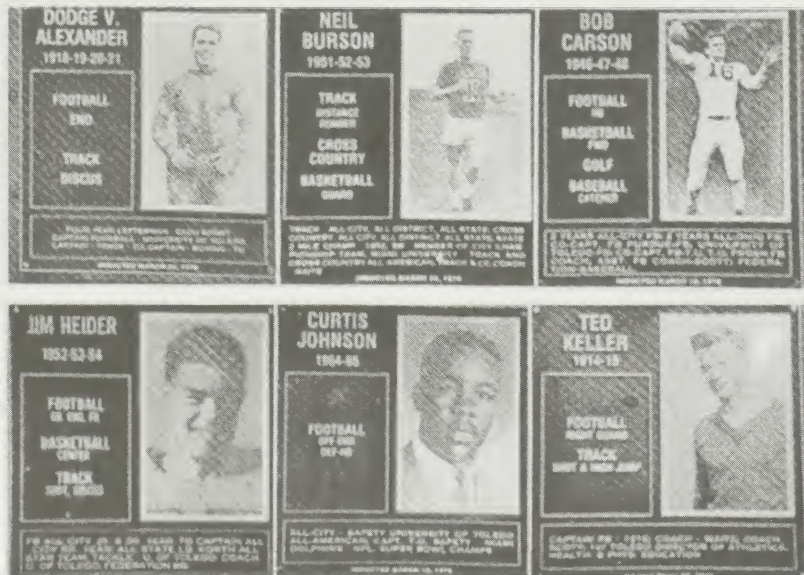


### **TROPHY CASES. FIRST-FLOOR HALLWAY, 2013.**

There are not enough cases to hold all the trophies Waite athletes and teams have won over the years. Other trophy cases are located in the field house, as are the Waite Athletic Hall of Fame plaques.

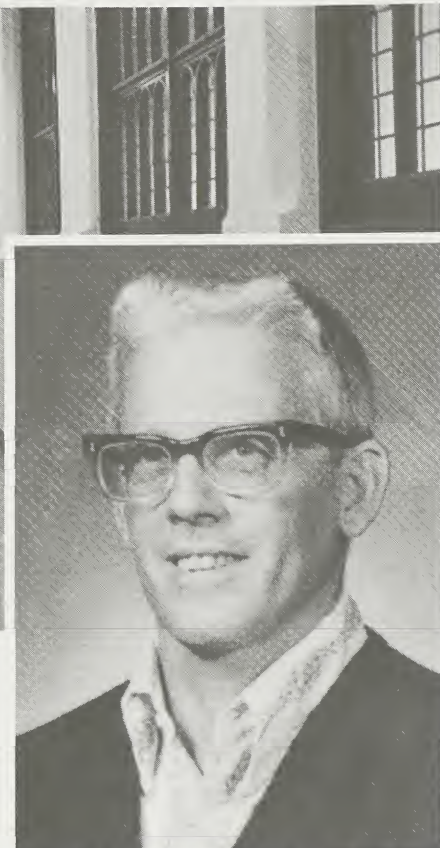
### **HALL OF FAME PLAQUES. WAITE FIELD HOUSE.**

Pictured here from *The Years of the Indian*, these plaques are representative of the 162 members elected to the Waite Athletic Hall of Fame since its inception in 1972.



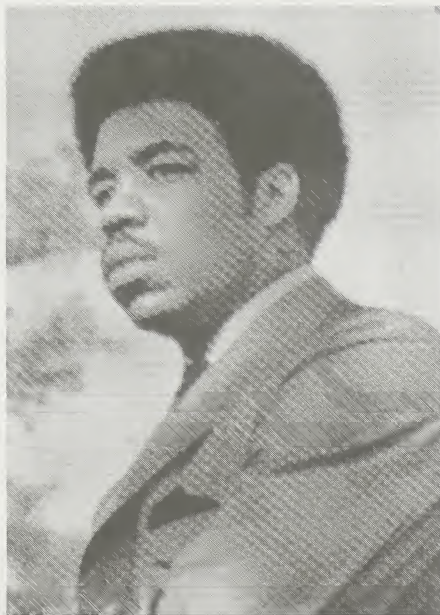
### **CURTIS JOHNSON. FOOTBALL, 1960S.**

After his football career at Waite, he was an All-American at the University of Toledo, and then became a defensive back on the Miami Dolphins' 1972-73 Super Bowl winning "No Name Defense," which is still the only NFL team with an undefeated record.



### **NEIL BURSON. CROSS COUNTRY, EARLY 1950S.**

As well as a star athlete, Mr. Burson was a long-time Waite teacher. At one point, he shaved 30 seconds off a state cross country record, and some of his records at Waite still stand.





## WAITE ATHLETIC HALL OF FAME MEMBERS

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### 1973 INDUCTEES:

John Armstrong, Bill Gregus, Jim Heider, Philip Kuebbeler, Francis Lengel, Jack Martin, Edward Packer, Boni Petcoff, Bob "Red" Snider, Floyd Wright

### 1974 INDUCTEES:

Ted Keller, Clinton Knitz, Verne Lechner, George Meis, George Muellich, "Monk" Myers, Roger Reese, Elmer Scallish, Pete Stoner, Frank Szalay

### 1975 INDUCTEES:

Bill Alexander, Bob Carson, Steve Contos, John Curtis, Harold Hecklinger, Curtis Johnson, Frank Kiss, Bill McCrory, Dan Marazon, Russ Morse, Carl Stamman

### 1976 INDUCTEES:

Dodge Alexander, Neil Burson, Claire Dunn, Elmer McDonnell, Bill Nopper, Frank Roush, Larry Skeldon, Vern Smith, Stan Starkey, Harry Steele, Walter Young

### 1977 INDUCTEES:

John Galyas, Frank Pauly, Ed Platzer, Jr., Jack Romp, Doug Thompson, Frank Toth, Andy Vanyo, Jim Wasserman, Mark Welker, Joe Westenkircher, Frank Young

### 1979 INDUCTEES:

Vic Domhoff, Roger Fisher, Jack Giroux, P. J. Nyitray, Max Reddish, Emerson Ueberroth

### 1980 INDUCTEES:

Patrick Donley, Ray Gunner, Charles Hurst, Tom Inman, Earl Kaiser, Howard Trautwein

### 1981 INDUCTEES:

Marvin Johnson, Vic Kissoff, Bill Raizik, Ray Scheets, Sylvester Stewart, Jack Thompson

### 1982 INDUCTEES:

Ray Domhoff, Gil Guerrero, Pete Penkoff, Jim Siebenaler, Ray Spencer, Jack Vergiels

### 1983 INDUCTEES:

Coach Bill Feters, Coach Jack Mollenkopf, Coach Mark Welker



**1987 INDUCTEES:**

Dale Bueschen, Tom Dunston, Eugene Johnson, Clark Pittinger, Les Rideout, Ken Steingraber, Stan Sterger

**1988 INDUCTEES:**

Coach Harold Anderson, Coach Don McAllister, Ray Boothby, Dawn Brown, Milt Carswell, Sr., Carl Dreyer, Kim Erdmann, Bob Hecklinger, John Molnar, Bob Micenic, Luke Murphy

**1995 INDUCTEES:**

Coach Larry Bevan, Richard Chisholm, Homer Cowell, Russ Davies, Kelly Erdmann, Cy Foster, Mark Kerr, Tammy Lorton, Bill Martin, Carl Schliesser, LuAnn Scobie, Brian Washington

**2000 INDUCTEES:**

Daniel Boening, Arthur "Dutch" Elston, Michelle Lorton Fournier, Joe Garcia III, Betty Miller Hepp, Gary Jackson, Nathaniel "Nacko" Jackson, Robert Lengel, George Maurer, Barbara Kuzma O'Reilly, Charles O'Shea, Bob Parks, Bill Romp, George Rowe, Dan Seemann, Eddie Turner, Tamara DeVaul Winfrey

**2004 INDUCTEES:**

Bill Begg, Ralph Boggs, David Bueschen, Jim Derr, Theresa Dutton, Bob Heider, Joseph Horvath, Mike Lenix, Dan Marazon, Jr., Ron Nichoson, Tamara Peacock, Jesse Pettaway, Andrew Pocse, Elizabeth Sepeda, Craig Thames, Andy Toth, Sonya Washington, Charles Young

**2009 INDUCTEES:**

McKantz Archer, Kathleen Mesteller Bankowski, Mark Beach, Jerry Berndt, Holly Vargo Brown, Charles Dotson, Romules Durant, Anthony Gallaher, Joe Guerrero, Michael Jesion, Kimberly Kern, Don Kowalka, Cristina Lorton, Wayne Marble, Russ Ryan, Guido Tambur, Raymond Zbierajewski

**2013 INDUCTEES:**

Bill Ryan, Don Layman, Bob Horst, Dwain "Sid" Adams, John Jamerson, Bob Thibert, William Greisiger, John Green, Dawn Widmer, Anthony "Smitty" Smith, Mary Brucker, Matthew Grimes, Milton Carswell, Jr., Crystal Dixon, Antonio "Tony" Guerra, Jerry Wasserman



# ALUMNI

## *Loyal, Loyal to Old Waite High*

### INTRODUCTION

What school has alumni more loyal, and also more actively involved, than the alumni of Waite High School? The Waite Alumni Association has given out more scholarships than any other school, they have fostered the Athletic Hall of Fame (1972) and the Distinguished Alumni Awards (1982), and they have raised money for the improvements to Waite's stadium as well as the renovation of the auditorium. They also, under the leadership of Jean Clark and the alumni committee, have worked with TPS and the administration at Waite to help shepherd the architects and the Nolan-Moody team through the recent renovation of the whole school.

The Alumni Association has also worked hard behind the scenes to insure that Waite gets proper attention from the Board of Education and Toledo Public Schools administrators. Association members have attended countless Board meetings and fought many difficult battles for the benefit of old Waite High School. In addition, Waite grads and East Toledo residents have turned out in force to support the school when certain Board members wanted to tear it down instead of renovating the beautiful building.

Waite graduates stick together. Besides helping current students with scholarships, they are always willing to help one another and to promote the school. For example, Waite alumni Ray Spencer, Bob Businger, Bob Yenrick, and Jim Naumann formed Waite, Inc., a network of graduates who have given thousands of dollars toward scholarships for students that otherwise might not qualify for them. Waite grads have also formed groups like the "Waite Has-Beens," where large numbers of alumni gather for programs in the winter and golf outings in the summer. Others promote Waite, like Jack Momany, who has put together power point programs with music and slides about Waite's history. Waite alumni don't take themselves too seriously, always ready to tease one another, but at the same time they are proud of their accomplishments and of the Waite traditions that have shaped their lives.

High school is a time that greatly influences the rest of a person's life, a time when a student grows academically and socially toward the individual he or she will become. It is a time of change and important life decisions. For a century, Waite has provided students with opportunities and challenges, while mentoring and encouraging them toward their future.

Be proud to be alumni of Waite High School. It has done a pretty amazing job for a hundred years, and is still a cornerstone of the East Side community. Principal David Yenrick has worked tirelessly to foster alumni and community involvement with the school. If any reader of this book hasn't been in the school recently or attended any alumni activities, please come back for a visit or call the school to find out ways to help Waite begin its second century of excellence.



## WAITE'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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The present Waite Alumni Association has its roots in the planning of the 50th anniversary of the opening of the school. Although there had been previous short-lived efforts to sustain an alumni association over the years, the good feelings generated by the 50th celebration in 1964 led a group of former students, meeting on February 5, 1965 at the Lighthouse Restaurant, to organize a dance which became the Purple and Gold Ball.

Although that first dance lost money, plans were quickly made to hold a second dance, and this effort, in addition to yielding a good time, resulted in a profit. It was then decided to use any money raised to begin awarding college scholarships to graduating Waite seniors. The scholarship fund was boosted when former teacher Josephine Goodall bequeathed \$1,000 to advance the fund, which also was supplemented by proceeds from sales of *The Years of the Indian* after 1981. Any proceeds from the sale of this book will also go toward Alumni Association scholarships.

Since the first scholarship of \$100 was awarded in 1967 to Louis Avalos, the Waite Alumni Association now awards ten to thirteen scholarships of \$2,000 each year. Due to the high cost of college tuition and the good financial standing of the Association, the committee can give additional support to graduates beyond the freshman year of college. To date, the Association has awarded Waite grads over \$500,000 in scholarships.

Since 1982, the Alumni Association has recognized 123 outstanding Waite alumni at the annual Purple and Gold celebration dinner and Distinguished Alumni induction. The honored alumni are recognized for their success in their chosen professions and for contributions to the community. The recipients have their photographs and biographies displayed in the cafeteria to serve as an incentive and role model for present Waite students. The money raised at the Purple and Gold dinner also goes into the scholarship fund.

In addition to scholarship support, the Alumni Association has become more active in recent years in providing financial backing for school projects. Over \$300,000 was raised for improvements made to Mollenkopf Stadium. The result was a new concession stand, remodeled locker room facilities, and a Memorial Plaza. Alumni Association funds have also been used to improve the baseball diamond in the Waite Bowl.

The Alumni Association also took the lead in restoring the auditorium to its former beauty, as part of their involvement in the recently-finished comprehensive renovation of the school. In May 2012, the Association presented a check for \$138,000 for the auditorium restoration at the Toledo Public Schools Board of Education meeting. This money was collected through the sponsorship of chairs in the auditorium in honor of Waite teachers and graduates. Lead gifts from Ray Frick, Bob and Margaret Ball Wagner, and Darla Wandtke were followed by sponsorships from hundreds of other Waite graduates, which helped provide the funds for the restoration.

Finally, recent lobbying efforts by the Alumni Association resulted in the April 2013 announcement that Toledo City Council and the Toledo Board of Education had agreed to swap the old Leverette School property for the city-owned Optimist Park. This increases Waite's campus all the way to Front Street and ensures that the school's "back door" will be preserved from any ill-advised future developments. The Alumni Association plans to work with the TPS administration to develop the park and enhance the already beautiful Waite campus.



## WAITE'S ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LEADERS

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### OFFICERS:

<b>CHAIRMAN:</b>	Jean Varwig Clark
<b>ASSISTANT CHAIRMAN:</b>	Cynthia Crosby
<b>SECRETARY:</b>	Jean Steinhurst Cutcher
<b>TREASURER:</b>	Alisa Iffland
<b>SCHOLARSHIP CO-CHAIRMEN:</b>	Carole Kiroff & Alisa Iffland
<b>NOMINATION CHAIRMAN:</b>	Jean VanderHorst Wilcik

### ACTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN RECENT YEARS:

Carol Williams Barailloux, Judy Lane Bee, Rose Singlar Belville, Douglas Bullimore, Sandra Derby Cherry, Carol Simmons Deal, Carol Brunner Hill, Tracy Goodwin Hubartt, Frances Meagher O'Connor, Derri King Oleneck, Katherine Felaris Pattay, Ed Platzer, Bev Bonnell Sawyer, Thelma Stockmaster Scarborough, Debbie Walker Schultz, Terry Appling Snider, Mary Gimenez Street, and David Yenrick. Past Chairman Judy Bee and Rose Belville are the longest-serving members of the alumni committee.

### HONORARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Helen Gimenez Gilbert, Leo Goldner, Lou Kozma, Lillian Heringhauser Lager, Pat McSweeney Rehm, Bill Romp, Mary Ellen Manley Stiff, and Michael Wilkins.



**WAITE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN RENOVATED FIRST-FLOOR HALLWAY, 2013**

Front Row: Thelma Stockmaster Scarborough, Sandra Derby Cherry, Jean VanderHorst Wilcik, Rose Singlar Belville, Carol Simmons Deal, Jean Steinhurst Cutcher, Bev Bonnell Sawyer. Back Row: Jean Varwig Clark, Cynthia Crosby, Alisa Iffland, Frances Meagher O'Connor.





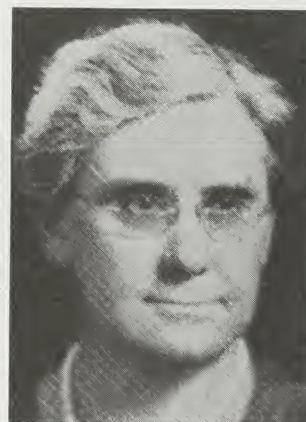
**PARTY LIKE IT'S THE SIXTIES. WAITE'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION, 1964.**

Veteran teachers Alice Nauts, Kenneth Holland, and John Wheeler, all Waite graduates, are seen here in September 1963 hanging a banner above the field house entrance in preparation for the year-long anniversary celebration. It was this 50th year celebration that led to the formation of the Waite Alumni Association.



**LOUIS AVALOS, 1967.**

Graduating senior Louis Avalos received \$100 toward his college tuition, the first scholarship awarded by the Alumni Association.



**JOSEPHINE GOODALL, 1932.**

A former Waite teacher, Miss Goodall helped launch the scholarship fund with a bequest of \$1,000 when it was just getting started in the mid-1960s.



## WAITE ALUMNI & WAITE HIGH SCHOOL

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**BONI PETCOFF**

A Waite football star, he went on to play for Ohio State in the early 1920s. Then he returned home to serve the East Side community as a medical doctor.



**DAVE ALVARADO**

A Waite graduate, teacher, and active alumni, Mr. Alvarado never forgot his East Side roots. After helping East Toledo students throughout his career, he is still actively involved in the programs of the East Toledo Family Center.



**LAURA FUEHRER**

Another graduate who came back to serve her community, Ms. Fuehrer has been a nurse at Waite for many years throughout her career.



**WAITE COUNTRY.**

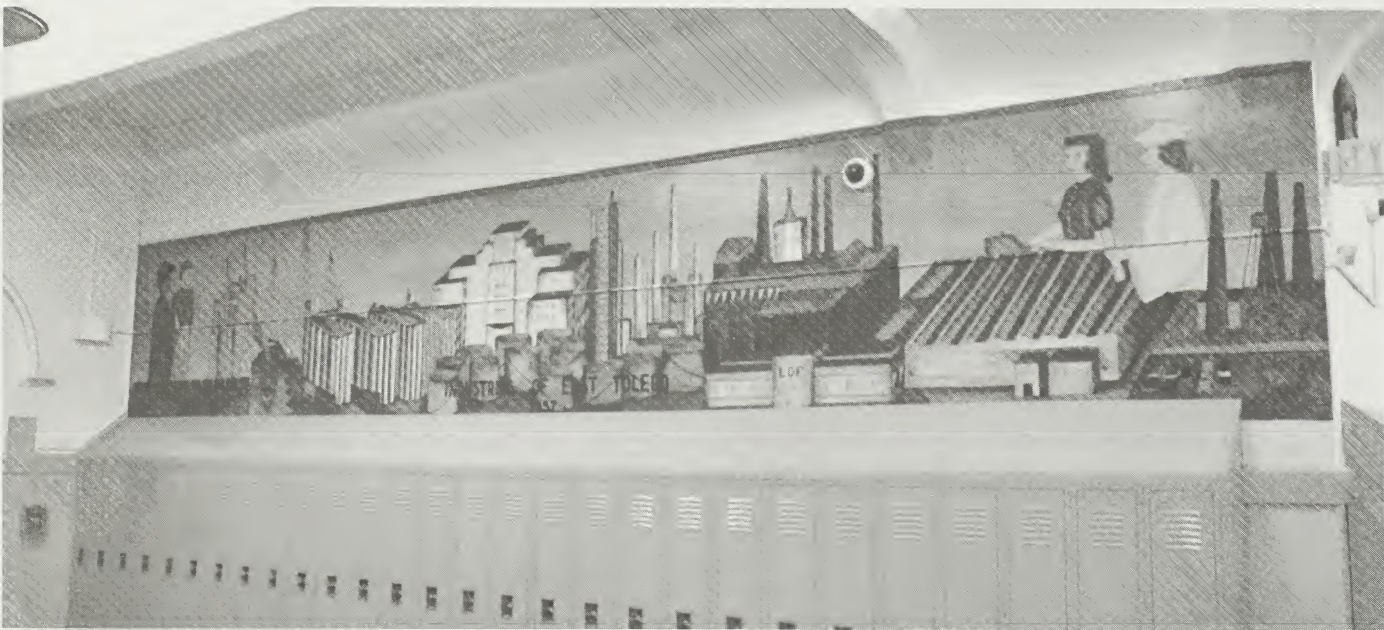
Football Stadium and Bowl, Looking North from Morrison Drive, Fall 2013. Funds donated by Waite alumni, over \$300,000, have helped renovate both the stadium and the baseball field. Mollenkopf Stadium remains one of only three fully enclosed football stadiums in Ohio, and is once again one of the best maintained.





**RENOVATION OUTSIDE. SCAFFOLDING ON THE WEST FAÇADE, 2012.**

Tuck pointing, work on the terra cotta, and window replacement are all in progress in this 2012 photo. The tall network of scaffolding high above the Skill Center on the west façade of the building shows how extensive are the renovations that were made to the school.



**RENOVATION INSIDE. EAST TOLEDO MURAL, 2013.**

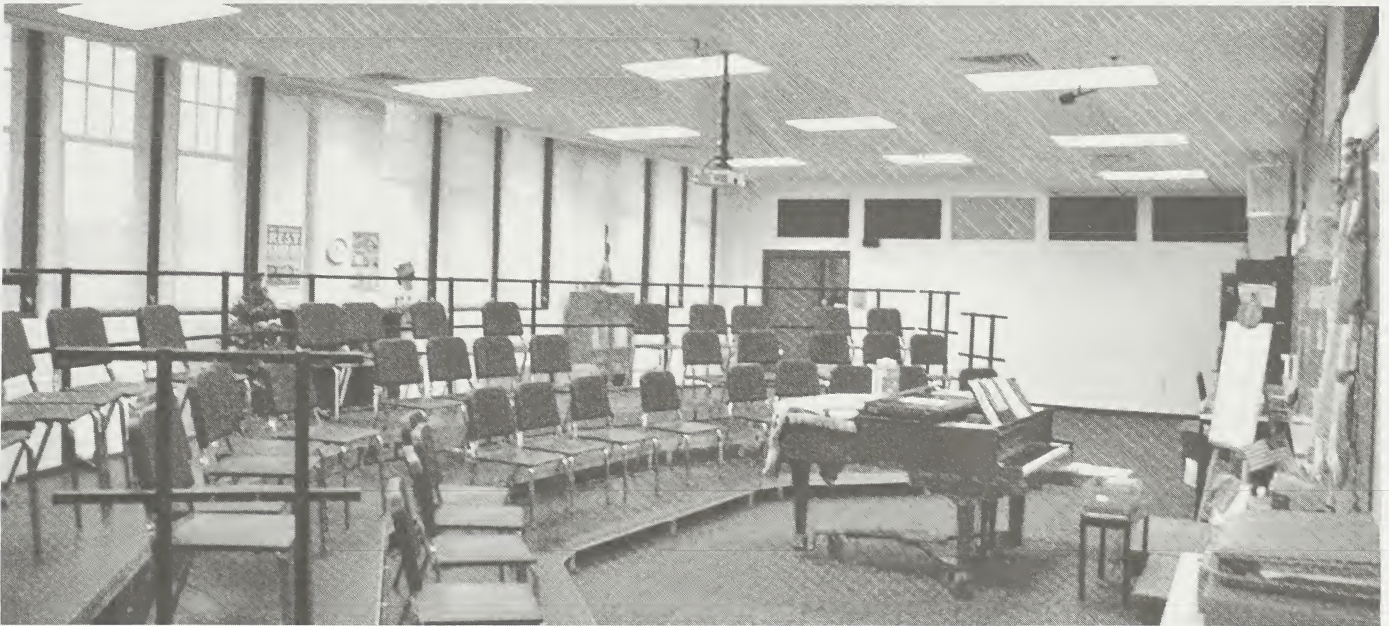
Alumni who worked with the Nolan-Moody team on the renovation of the school made sure that the historic character of the building was preserved. The many murals painted by students over the years are an important part of that history. This mural painted in 1957, which features East Toledo industries such as LOF, Nabisco, and Sun Oil, has been carefully restored, even to the touching up of the electrical line covers.





**A LIBRARY WORTHY OF THE IVY LEAGUE. VIEW TOWARD THE SOUTHWEST ENTRANCE, 2013.**

During the renovation project, Waite alumni worked with the architects who were excited about making the library a Gothic gem worthy of a major college. The result is a far cry from the cafeteria food fights of yesteryear, but even this inspiring photo pales in comparison to a visit back to the school to see the restored library in person.



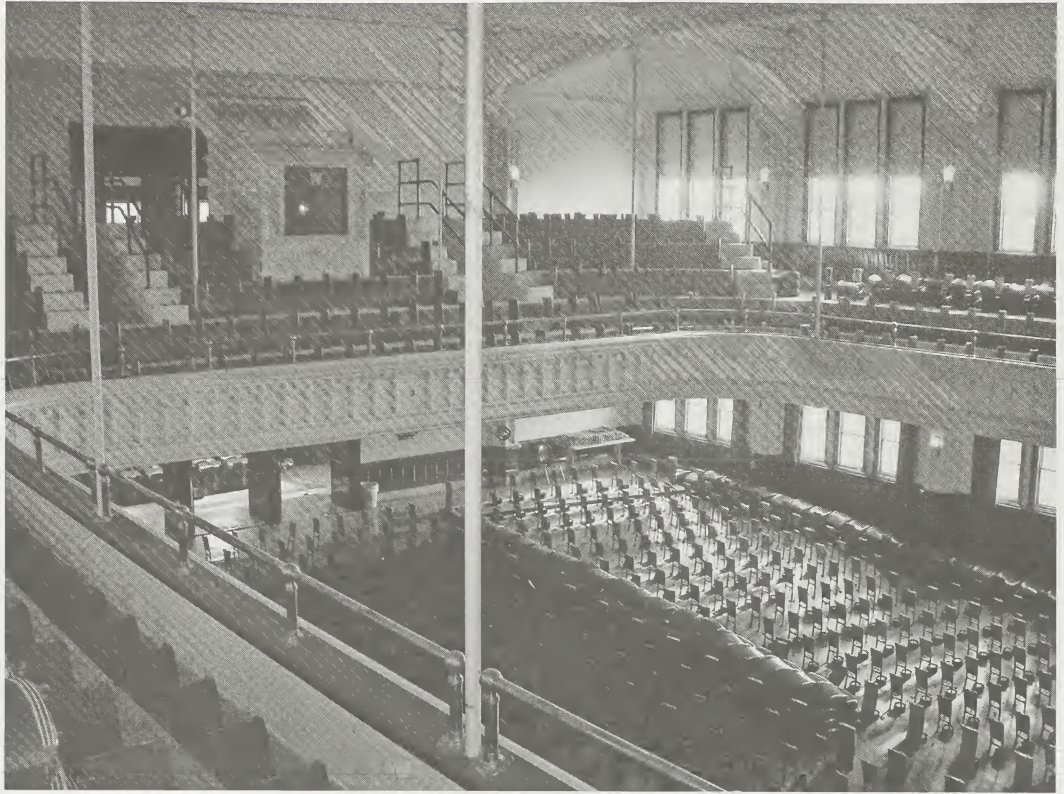
**MUSICAL CHAIRS. NEW MUSIC PRACTICE ROOMS, 2013.**

The days of practicing in a sub-basement next to the furnace room are over. The music program, the band and the school choirs, now have renovated facilities conveniently located in the wing below the auditorium.



**OPEN SEATING PLAN.  
WAITE AUDITORIUM DURING  
RESTORATION, 2012.**

Seats are seen here stacked high, waiting to be refurbished and reinstalled during the restoration of the auditorium. Public money could not be used on auditoriums, so it was the purchase of seats by alumni (with a plaque honoring each dedication) that helped fund the renovation. There are still a few seats left for alumni to sponsor. Like the library, the auditorium is now restored to its former grandeur, making Waite again one of the outstanding high school buildings in the country.

**A TIDY SUM. AUDITORIUM  
RESTORATION CHECK  
FROM THE WAITE ALUMNI  
ASSOCIATION, MAY 2012.**

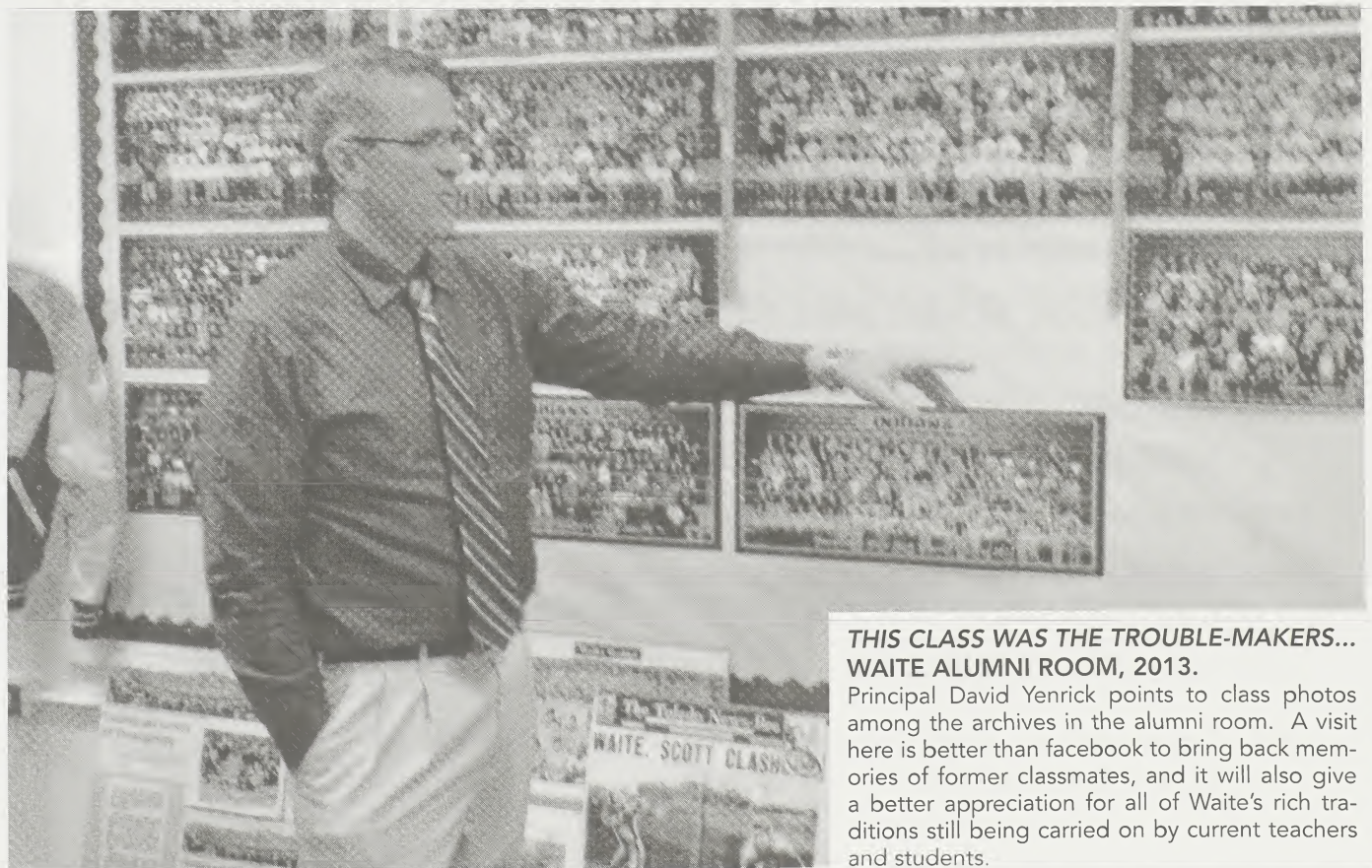
A check in the amount of \$138,764.00 is presented by the officers of the Alumni Association to then Superintendent Jerome Pecko (left) and Board of Education President Lisa Sobecki (back to camera) for the restoration of the chairs in the auditorium. From left to right: Dr. Pecko, Jean Clark (alumni chairman), Mike Wilkins, Alisa Iffland, Ms. Sobecki, and Terry Snider.





**WELCOME BACK. WAITE ALUMNI ROOM, FOURTH-FLOOR, 2013.**

A complete set of yearbooks back to 1915, cabinets of Waite memorabilia, class photos, and work tables greet alumni who return to reminisce, relive memories of school days, and learn more about their school's history. There is also a new elevator to the fourth floor for alumni no longer able to run up the stairs as they once did to the cafeteria, which is now Waite's beautiful student library.



**THIS CLASS WAS THE TROUBLE-MAKERS...  
WAITE ALUMNI ROOM, 2013.**

Principal David Yenrick points to class photos among the archives in the alumni room. A visit here is better than facebook to bring back memories of former classmates, and it will also give a better appreciation for all of Waite's rich traditions still being carried on by current teachers and students.



## WAITE DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI

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One of the school's highest honors is to be elected a Waite Distinguished Alumni, a hall of fame of Waite graduates. Distinguished Alumni have been chosen since 1982, and all students who have ever graduated from Waite are eligible for the honor. Each year new members are inducted at the Purple and Gold Banquet, which also raises money for alumni association scholarships given to graduating seniors.

**The following list of Waite Distinguished Alumni is by year of induction.**

**1982:** LEO GOLDNER, GEORGE KIROFF, EDWARD LAMB

**1983:** CLYDE SLUHAN, SAM SZOR, FRANK WILEY

**1984:** KENNETH HOLLAND

**1985:** LEW CROSS, MICHAEL DAMAS, JOE FLORES, GEORGE GORSUCH,  
LEONARD HENDRICKSON

**1986:** CHRIS CHRISTOFF, BYRON WEST, RON WADE

**1987:** MICHAEL CICAK, ROBERT KURUCZ

**1988:** EDWIN LANE, RAY MANTO

**1989:** STEVE CONTOS

**1992:** CLAIRE DUNN, JULIUS MARCUS, NORMAN NITSCHKE, DANIEL SEEMANN,  
BONNIE MACVAY SLOAN

**1993:** BOB CARSON, RICHARD DAVIS, SALLY DUNN, JOSEPH MORAN,  
VALARIE JUSTISS VANCE

**1994:** KENNETH DESHETLER, ARLAND KRUEGER, MARY ELLEN LIEBHERR LUZNY,  
CHARLES RUTHERFORD, FRANK TOTH

**1995:** WILLIAM CHRISTOFFERS, ALVIN EATON, JAMES HEIDER

**1996:** PATRICIA BRAZELL, BERNARD GLADIEUX, LARRY MICHAELS, DONALD SAUNDERS  
LANCE TALMAGE

**1997:** THOMAS FEWSTER, JACOB JUSTISS, JR., PAUL DAVID MABIE, RICHARD PERRY

**1998:** GARY GABRIEL, ROBERT GREENLER, BRYAN REAMSNYDER, MAXWELL REDDISH,  
HOWARD SCHAEZKE



- 1999: MIKE MCCORMACK, DONALD PETROFF, WILLIAM ROMP, CHRISTIAN THOMSON
- 2000: JUDY LANE BEE, JERRY BERNDT, ROBERT DREWS, HELEN GIMENEZ GILBERT, SAM SCHAEFFER
- 2001: DORIS AYLING, KENNETH KOCH, ROBERT POLLEX, RICHARD WARGOWSKY, PAUL WEISS
- 2002: DAVID ALVARADO, DELBERT DAYTON, CAROLE KIROFF, EWING MILLER
- 2003: ROBERT CLARK, ROBERT ROPER, EULAN TUCKER, JR., LUCY WEAVER
- 2004: SHARON HOUSTON ELLIS, LOUIS GALAMBOS, ALAN "SKIP" LANE, NORMAN NUNAMAKER, JACK VERGIELS
- 2005: CAROL WILLIAMS BARAILLOUX, PAUL "PAT" HECKLINGER, BILL NOPPER, EDWARD WIER
- 2006: DON BAUMGARTNER, BOB GENZMAN, BERNARD HATCH, BRIAN MEEKER, GEORGE RASI
- 2007: CHARLES DOTSON, DARLA WANDTKE HARBAUGH, CHERYL MORSE KISH, GEORGE NOVOTNY, ROBERT SLATER, EUGENE WINCHESTER
- 2008: TERRY BREYMAIER, GEORGE SCHARBACH, SUSAN PAYNE WOODROW, JACK ZEDRO
- 2009: GARY FAILOR, RAYMOND FRICK, CSABA FRANK SEDIVI, MICHAEL WILKINS, STELLA ANE ZEDRO
- 2010: ROMULES DURANT, VICTOR KISSOFF, MICHAEL LORTON, STAN STARKEY
- 2011: FRANK BOLIN, GREGORY BONNELL, EDWARD PLATZER, THOMAS SCHUSTER, ROBERT WAGNER, JR.
- 2012: DENNIS DOYLE, LAWRENCE MORGAN, GARY REDDISH, DANIEL SAUNDERS, DEBORAH YENRICK
- 2013: BERNARD FRICK, PHILLIP KAJCA, PHILIP KUEBBELER, HARRY MILLS, EMILIO RAMIREZ



## BEAUTIFUL CAMPUS



**ALMOST ENOUGH ROOM TO LAND A PLANE. WAITE CAMPUS, ABOUT 1950.**

Another close look at this mid-century aerial view shows post-World War II temporary housing in the area between the school and Front Street. Lobbying efforts by the Alumni Association helped make that valuable land become property of the Toledo Public School system and an important addition to Waite's beautiful nearly 30-acre campus.



## ABOUT THE AUTHORS



**BOB CLARK**, a 1965 graduate of Waite High School, has a Bachelor's and Master's Degree from the University of Toledo. He retired from Toledo Public Schools as Assistant Superintendent of Elementary Education after being principal of Oakdale and Birmingham schools. He also taught at Garfield and Waite. He is married to Jean Varwig Clark, Waite Alumni Chairman and former classmate. Their daughter Melissa Lodge is principal of East Broadway Elementary, and their other daughter Amy Charles is an English teacher in Renton, Washington. Bob and Jean have two grandchildren, Ethan and Cameron Lodge. In this photo, he is cutting the ribbon for the new Memorial Garden in 2004, when he was the keynote speaker at the Memorial Day service.

**LARRY MICHAELS** also graduated from Waite in the class of 1965, and is the pastor of Martin Luther Church in East Toledo. He taught part-time for many years at the University of Toledo, where he received his Ph.D. in English. After coming back to Toledo in the 1980s, he has written several books about the history of the East Side, and is proud to be a graduate of Waite High School. His wife Suzi is a retired psychologist who had her office in East Toledo. The closest members of his family all graduated from Waite High School: father Richard Michaels ('36), mother Doris Busack Michaels ('40), and brother Bob Michaels ('72). In this 2013 photo, he is glad to finally use the elevator pass he purchased as a freshman.



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*Loyal, Loyal to Old Waite High,  
We Will Ever Be.*



## NOTES AND AUTOGRAPHS

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## *Loyal*

*Loyal, loyal to old Waite High*

*We will ever be.*

*To her honor and her glory*

*Pledge fidelity.*

*We will fight for Old Waite High School*

*Ever be strong and true.*

*Loyal, loyal to old Waite High*

*We will do our best for you.*



## *Alma Mater*

*We stand to honor Alma Mater*

*With hearts that swell with pride for thee.*

*Many are the happy memories*

*Brought to mind with thoughts of thee.*

*We'll be true, Old Waite High*

*Ever true to thee.*

*And higher, still higher*

*Thy colors we will hold*

*And love the Purple and the Gold.*

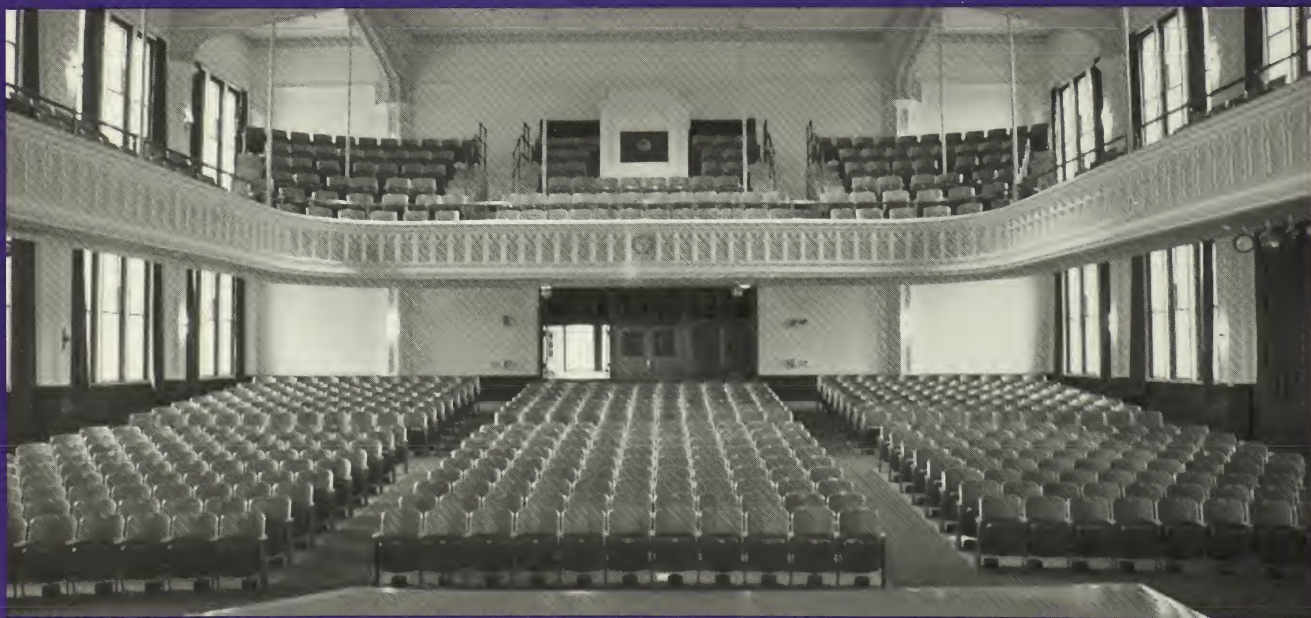








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